

**\$100,000 Libel Suit Against Smith Transferred; 3 Freed**

**Special**  
CHICAGO—Judge Samuel Heller's \$100,000 libel suit against Gerald L. K. Smith will be heard in Federal court, as the result of a transfer granted by Judge Robert E. Crowe in Superior court here.

The suit originally was filed in Superior court, but Smith asked for a transfer on the grounds of diverse citizenship, because his home is in Detroit. The transfer, provided for by law, was granted in a brief hearing, without argument by counsel.

The suit is based on allegedly libelous statements made by Smith as a result of a disturbance last Feb. 7 outside a meeting at which Smith spoke.

Three more persons arrested during the Feb.

7 demonstration were freed by Judge Cecil C. Smith this week.

They were Policeman Patrick Gill of the park district, charged with assault with a deadly weapon; Earl Southard, 48, a publisher and a Smith adherent; and David Cooper, 26, a public school history teacher in suburban Chicago Heights, one of the pickets. Southard and Cooper were charged with disorderly conduct.

Mark Spagat, another picket, accused Policeman Gill of clubbing him; but two superior officers testified that they were with him all evening and did not see him use his club.

Judge Smith ruled there was not enough evidence for a conviction in any of the three cases.

**Community Council  
To Fight 'Release Time'**

**Special**  
EASTON, Pa.—With only one dissenting vote, the Jewish Community Council of Easton decided at a special meeting here Monday to join the "Citizens Committee Against Released Time," to fight recent school board decision which would permit religious instruction in the schools. The lone vote was registered by Rabbi Louis Katzoff of B'nai Abraham Congregation.

The Citizens Committee is composed of 6 or 7 organizations, with Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg as one of its prominent members.

**Learn Rosenwald  
Aided Palestine Report**

**Special**  
NEW YORK—A Jewish Post reporter here learned that Lesing Rosenwald, president of the American Council for Judaism, was one of the contributors to the fund which made possible the 3-month survey completed recently of the economic situation of Palestine by a group of economists including Robert Nathan.

**30 Germans Arrested—  
Didn't Wear Armbands**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
PRAGUE—Thirty Germans were arrested at Carlsbad this week for failure to wear yellow armbands as identifying badges, Czech police authorities have announced.

The Germans who formerly mocked Jews attempting to hide the yellow Star of David, with which the Nazis marked them, are using all sorts of devices to hide or detract attention from the armbands, which they now must wear. Germans are forbidden by law from entering restaurants and cafes and are receiving reduced food rations. Their ration cards are marked "Deutsche." In some cities they are forbidden to walk on the sidewalks.

**Macabre Soap Find  
Stirs Hungary**

**Jewish World News Service**  
BUDAPEST—A gruesome discovery has been made in the Hungarian cities Szegedin, Mako and others of hundreds of boxes of soap produced from bodies of Jewish corpses. The Hungarian government has appointed a special committee to investigate how the soap has come to Hungary, and has appealed to soap manufacturers and soap dealers to help with the investigation.

The discovery was made in the market places in Transylvania where the soap was sold.

**Named to UNO Atomic Board**

Named by President Truman as U. S. representative on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, Bernard Baruch (left) has chosen as one of his co-workers Herbert Bayer Swope, 64, prominent editor and writer. The commission will seek means for international control of atomic weapons and will have ten members. (International)

**JWV HEADS CONFER WITH WAR  
DEPARTMENT ON NO GUN RULING**

**Special**  
PASSIAC, N. J.—A delegation from the Preiskel-Miller Post of the Jewish War Veterans of America here, headed by Commander Isadore Zabotinsky was supposed to go to Washington Monday for a meeting with the War Department officials to protest the order refusing the post surplus rifles and other materials, on the grounds that the Jewish War Veterans is not a recognized veterans group, such as the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

A storm of protest was raised recently when the War Department notified the Preiskel-Miller

**Ask U. S. Congregations  
To 'Adopt' One in France**

NEW YORK—Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, president of the Synagogue Council of America, announced today that in response to an urgent appeal from French Jewry, the Council representing the Orthodox, Conservative and Reform rabbinic and congregational bodies in the United States, has initiated a plan to help in the religious rehabilitation of France.

In accordance with this plan, the Council has requested Jewish communities throughout the United States to "adopt" the Jewish religious communities of France and aid in the restoration of their religious life to full strength and dignity. When this project is completed, the Council will then launch a similar campaign for other Jewish communities in Europe.

**Would Make No Promises**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
LONDON—Replying to a question in Commons, Undersecretary of Colonies Arthur Creech-Jones said the government couldn't give assurances that there would be no further deportations to Eritrea in view of the present Palestine situation.

**PALESTINE GOVERNMENT OPPOSED TO  
LOWDERMILK PLAN; CHURCH PROTESTS**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
JERUSALEM—On the heels of the announced Palestine Government opposition to the Lowdermilk Plan, the Presbyterian Church of Scotland here submitted a memorandum to the Inquiry Commission declaring that if the plan is carried out it would spoil the sanctity of the Sea of Galilee and other places "sacred to millions of Christian hearts."

**Churchill For  
National Home,  
He Tells Silver**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**

NEW YORK—Winston Churchill advocated a joint Anglo-American trusteeship for Palestine and in a conversation with Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver gave assurances that he's still a Zionist, Dr. Silver revealed addressing the Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization of America.

Silver, who was introduced to Churchill by Bernard Baruch, reported that the former prime minister of Britain reaffirmed his support of a Jewish national home in Palestine with free immigration for the fullest absorptive capacity of the country. Churchill said also he favors an Anglo-American trusteeship to bring about this end.

Churchill stated also that he's ready to stand alone in his party on Palestine if necessary. He recalled that he backed the Balfour Declaration and stressed that he still stands by its commitments.

Churchill referred many times to the Jewish achievements in Palestine, saying that they made the desert bloom like a rose. He also praised the Jewish brigade.

**REPORTER RELEASED; INQUIRY  
BODY TOLD ZIONISTS 'FASCISTS'**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**

(See earlier story next page)

BEIRUT—After being held under guard incommunicado in the Hotel Normandie here for 27 hours, Yehuda Hellman, Palestine Post correspondent, was released suddenly and invited by Premier Sami Bey Solh to attend the dinner the Premier was giving to the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee. Hellman, accompanied by his guards, was greeted at the palace by British Minister Terence Shone, who told Hellman that he personally had demanded his release.

**Vandals Desecrate  
Cemetery Chapel**

**Special**

EVERETT, Mass.—Police of this city were hunting for vandals who smashed more than 60 window panes in the Beth Israel cemetery chapel in Fullet st., and damaged the inner walls.

Isadore Slotnick, caretaker, said the window breaking incident was only one of many directed recently at the chapel.

Hellman was greeted by the premier and other high officials but when he departed for his hotel, he found the secret police still following him. He still hasn't received his identity card and passport which were taken from him.

The Inquiry Committee heard representatives of the Lebanese press, commercial and political groups join in denouncing the Zionists as "fascists" and "imperialists" who endangered the Arab world. The government submitted a memorandum declaring that a Jewish State on its borders would threaten its security.

**Falk Foundation  
Founder Dies at 79**

**Special**  
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Maurice Falk, noted industrialist and philanthropist died March 18 in Hollywood, Florida. Falk was the founder of the Duquesne Reduction Company; a director of the National Steel Corp., Edgewater Steel Co., the Blaw-Knox Co., Farmers Deposit National Bank, Reliance Insurance Co. He was also prominently associated with the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and the Montefiore Hospital.

In 1929, the first year after the death of his wife, Falk gave the city of Pittsburgh \$10,000,000 to set up the Maurice and Laura Falk Foundation to deal with socially important studies. In 1930 Falk married Selma Wertheimer, who was at his bedside when he died.

**May Take Polish Citizenship**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
LONDON—Polish government sources have announced that under the decision to repatriate members of the Polish armed forces, Jews who formerly lived east of the Curzon line in territory presently Soviet would be permitted to return to Poland to receive citizenship without making any special applications.

**Yeshivos Head Charges  
Finkelstein a Defeatist**

**Special**

NEW YORK—Harris L. Selig, executive director of the United Yeshivos, called to task Dr. Louis Finkelstein, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary, for his recent statement that American Jewry is disintegrating spiritually.

"The contention that the Jews of America are losing their regard for their spiritual heritage as claimed by Dr. Finkelstein, is completely erroneous," said Mr. Selig, "and displays a defeatism which is incompatible with the facts and with the historical Jewish trait of steadfastness to their religion and culture."

**Palestine Holding Up  
1,000 Promised Visas**

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**

JERUSALEM—It was learned here that the Palestine government has given the Jewish Agency only five hundred of the fifteen hundred certificates available for the March and April period.

# Jewish Group May Take Over Medical College

## Finds Extra Quarters in Apartment, Offers it to Vet—Free

BOSTON—Like the weather, everybody talks about the housing situation and nobody does much about it—nobody except Philip Bronstein, Back Bay apartment block owner.

Bronstein recently discovered janitor quarters in his block that had been converted into storage space. Acutely aware of the shortage of living quarters as any property owner, Mr. Bronstein would have been justified in renting the basement rooms for all the tariff the OPA would allow.

Instead, he inserted this ad in the Boston newspapers:

### VETERANS

"Ex-janitor's quarters in the basement of

a clean apartment house. It is unequipped except for a kitchen sink. I will give the paint, electricity and the place free. It is not a penthouse, but it's better than a fox-hole."

The papers were hardly on the street when scores of apartment hunting vets deluged Bronstein with requests for the tiny rooms. A lucky GI family has not been chosen yet, but because of the response he received Mr. Bronstein is urging other apartment house owners to reinvest their properties with the possibility of uncovering unused or misused rooms and offering them to servicemen.

## VOSE PROMISES PHILLY GROUP SMITH, COUGHLIN TO BE THERE

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—George Vose, self-styled second Gerald L. K. Smith, promised that Smith would soon be here in Philadelphia. Addressing a meeting of the Christian Veterans of America and the Blue Star Mothers on March 7 he declared, "And don't be surprised if you see and hear Father Coughlin here in the near future."

Vose also asserted that Terminiello would be here again too. "Don't think Father Terminiello lost his church. He's taking his orders from the Holy Father. Read between the lines."

Catherine Brown, organizer of the Blue Star Mothers, followed Vose on the speaker's stand. She hit at the "Zionists who are trying to get this nation into an international organization." She urged that the audience present write to Senator Myers (D., Pa.) urging him to get back to Washington where he belongs instead of stumping the nation for the Palestine movement.

### Carlson Plans New Expose

PHILADELPHIA—John Roy Carlson, author of "Undercover" was in Philadelphia getting material on veterans groups that act as screens for spreading the hate movement. He is writing a new book on veterans.

### Transjordan Gets Independence

LONDON—Negotiations between the British Government and Emir Abdullah, the ruler of Transjordan, which have been proceeding here, have resulted in the initialing of a treaty recognizing the independence of Transjordan, it is reported by the diplomatic correspondent of the Manchester Guardian. The correspondent said, however, that there is a school of thought which questions Britain's right to end the mandate before the UNO establishes its trusteeship system.

### Life of Poetess on Eternal Light

NEW YORK—Rahel, a radio drama by Morton Wisegrad concerning the life of the Palestinian poetess, will be presented on the Eternal Light program Sunday over NBC, 11:00 a.m., WEA, 12:00 noon, EST, under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

### Rosenberg Leaves Camp

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Petey Rosenberg, ex-Spha star who got a tryout with the Philadelphia National baseball team, didn't make good and is on his way back to Philadelphia. Petey still lacks the necessary finish for big league ball. He'll be a good bet in another year or two.

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## Rabbi Berman Attacks Finkelstein Statement

NEW YORK—Rabbi Louis Finkelstein's recent declaration that Judaism was waning in this country was attacked by Rabbi Morton M. Berman of Temple Isaiah Israel, Chicago, and former chaplain with the Sixth Marine Division, at the founder's day dinner of the Jewish Institute of Religion at the Hotel Biltmore.

"There is nothing in the record to support the assertion," Rabbi Berman said. "The phenomenal increase of paid membership during the war years in nearly all American Jewish congregations is emphatic disproof of the doleful conclusion that 'Jews are losing their Judaism at such a rapid rate that in a generation or two the American Jewish community will have lost so much that Judaism here will cease to have any significance'."

## JTA Correspondent Arrested, Released

BEIRUT, Lebanon—Gerold Frank, Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent who has been accompanying the Anglo-American inquiry committee since it left the United States, and Yehuda Hellman, correspondent of the Palestine Post, were arrested here last night by Lebanese secret police, but were subsequently released. However, Hellman is still under house arrest.

Frank, who is an American, and Hellman, a Palestinian, share a room in the Normandie Hotel, which is also the residence of Joseph Hutcheson, James MacDonald and Lord Morrison, the sub-committee of the inquiry group which is visiting the Levant states. Police refused to disclose the charges against the two men, but earlier in the day Hellman had been informed that the Palestine Post had been barred from Lebanon as a "Zionist product."

The extent of Hitler's decimation of the Jewish youth in Vienna was brought out in its full tragic implications when it was disclosed that out of the more than 8,000 students in the University of Vienna only 20 are Jews.

## British Ad Saying 'No Jews' Sifted

LONDON—The British Labor newspaper Reynolds News reports that a British Labor Ministry advertisement for Laboratory workers specifying that Jews and foreigners should not apply because they would not be even considered for employment, has called forth protests from a number of Labor organizations. The government has started an investigation to ascertain who was responsible for the anti-Semitic advertisement.

## Crack Jewish Sprinter Breaks Old Record

NEW YORK—New York City's track and field enthusiasts are singing the praises of Ira Kaplan, Erasmus Hall high school sprinter, who set a new record at the High School's Indoor Track and Field championships held at the 13th Regiment Armory, when he breasted the tape in ten seconds flat. One timer clocked the Brooklyn sprinter in 0:99.9.

In accomplishing this unique indoor sprint feat, Ira broke a 24-year-old record that was made by Frank Hussey, and tied by Marty Glickman in 1935. Both Hussey and Glickman later served as members of American Olympic track and field squads.

## Eulogies of F.D.R. By Rabbis Published

NEW YORK—A volume of eulogies and prayers offered by rabbis in America on the occasion of Franklin D. Roosevelt's death was published this week by the Block Publishing Company. The volume, edited and compiled by Rabbi Max Kleiman, contains a foreword by Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

## Shertok Testimony Thursday or Friday

JERUSALEM—Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, will testify here before the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee on Thursday or Friday, when committee members who are now in Syria and other neighboring Arab countries return. He will be followed by Mussa El Alami, who will testify for the Arabs.

A delegation of Arab groups which are opposed to the Arab Higher Committee today visited Bartley Crum, American member of the committee, and presented their views to him during a lengthy talk.

The relations between various Arab groups in Palestine have deteriorated recently to such a point that the existence of the Higher Arab Committee is considered to be in danger.

Eugene List, the pianist, and Leonard Bernstein, conductor, will be the representatives of United States at the International Festival of Music in May, marking the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Czech Philharmonic. The festival will be held in Prague.



## Baruch Not Involved, But Einstein is; School is Middlesex

By HARRY CUSHING  
Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

BOSTON, Mass. — A Jewish group is interested in taking over the Middlesex Medical College, it was disclosed Monday at a hearing before the legislative committee on education.

Senator Edward M. Rowe of Cambridge, who is urging that the Middlesex charter be revoked, declared that he understood that the Zionists were interested in taking over the institution and placing Bernard Baruch and Prof. Albert Einstein on the board.

Boston City Councilman Isidor Muchnick, who appeared for the college, said that a group of Jewish citizens were interested in acquiring the college, but denied that it was "a Zionist venture." He said that Baruch was definitely not involved in the plan and added that he was not certain about Einstein.

Dr. H. Quimby Gailoup, secretary of the state board of registration in medicine, who approved revocation of the Middlesex charter, said that it would be better for any group that took over Middlesex to get a new name and charter.

## Jewish Group Has \$10,000,000

NEW YORK—The New York Times in a dispatch from Boston said that a group headed by Dr. Israel Goldstein is reported to have a fund of \$10,000,000 ready to take over Middlesex College. The article said the school would be open by 1947.

## Says Weizmann Favors Partition of Palestine

WINNIPEG — Chaim Weizmann, as an extreme measure, favors the partition of Palestine, while Rabbi Abba Silver is opposed to it, says Dr. Annie Samuelsdorff in a story carried by the Jewish Post of Winnipeg.

The story quotes Dr. Samuelsdorff as stating that the rumor of partition was not unfounded because at the 49th conference of British Zionists Dr. Weizmann "advised the delegates to be prepared for a proposal of partition and advised them, as a last alternative, to accept."

Dr. Samuelsdorff stressed the fact that Jews would remain weak so long as they had no consul, ambassador, or official person to speak on their behalf and declared that "our demand for political status is no mere petty nationalism. With political status we would be heard in the UNO, we would have control of our own immigration, and we would be an equal partner in the family of nations."

Mrs. Althea Silverman, wife of Rabbi Morris Silverman, was unanimously elected by the Board of Aldermen of Hartford, Conn., to fill a vacancy in the Hartford School Board.

## Smith Councilman Recalled By Voters

LOS ANGELES—The recall of City Councilman Meade McClanahan by a nearly three-to-one majority was hailed by local citizens who were joyous over his defeat. The triumphant recall was considered a major victory over all anti-American forces. McClanahan was the principal supporter of Gerald L. K. Smith.

## Dead Jew Med Student

By what break of chance some Jews are alive in Europe today is illustrated by the case of Majlech Elenewajg, a Displaced Person from Radom, Poland, who is one of the first students at the University of Marburg, Germany. Elenewajg was "executed" in 1944 by a Nazi firing squad and buried under a thin layer of dirt. Because the bullet had glanced off his skull, it did no more than knock him out temporarily, and regaining consciousness, he dug himself out of the grave. He was concealed by other prisoners until the S.S. guards were changed and he was able to resume his role of just another prisoner. Today Elenewajg, with some 90 other young DP's to whose rehabilitation UNRRA is pledged, works hard at the University of Marburg. He is a man with a future in medicine—and a bullet scar on his forehead as a grim reminder of his past.

## Ex-Mufti's Pro-Nazi Testimony Omitted

JERUSALEM—In an apparent attempt to shield the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, the stenographic record of the Anglo-American inquiry committee's hearings has omitted a remark by Auni Bey Hadi, Arab Higher Committee spokesman, to the effect that the Mufti cooperated with the Nazis because he thought they might win. The omission was noted when the official record of last Tuesday's hearings was made public.

Towards the end of last Tuesday's hearings, Richard Grossman, one of the British members, confronted Abdul Hadi with a photograph of the Mufti in the act of "heiling" Moslem S. S. troops, and asked him for some explanation or comment. Abdul Hadi said: "The Mufti was only trying to make a deal in case Germany won the war."

Although this remark and a further exchange between Abdul Hadi and Crossman was passed by the censor and published in the local press, the record omits the episode with the explanation: "At this point the witness dispensed with the services of the interpreter and, unfortunately, the (court) reporter could not make a continuous record."

## Fox HUC Founder's Day Speaker

CINCINNATI, O.—The Hebrew Union College will observe Founder's Day Saturday, March 20, at 2:30 p.m., in the Hebrew Union College Chapel with Dr. G. George Fox, of Chicago as speaker. Founder's Day is observed annually in honor of the late Rabbi Isaac M. Wise, who was born March 29, 1819. This will be the 97th anniversary of his birth.

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# Mass Meeting Repudiates Act

By RITA ROHER SEMEL

Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO—The schism in the Jewish community brought on by the action of the Jewish survey and B'nai B'rith Community Committee in writing to the British Consul of its disapproval of the picketing of the Consulate by Zionist groups widened this week following a protest meeting called by the joint Zionist Council opened to the public. More than 500 attended.

Three days after that meeting, Richard E. Gutstadt, a former San Franciscan and national director of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League, tried to calm the troubled waters by a plea made to local Jewry to put all local differences aside and to unite with only one purpose—alleviating the suffering of the destitute overseas. The effect of his talk cannot yet be seen.

## Committee Boomed, Hissed

At the Zionist protest meeting, speeches condemning the survey committee were greeted with applause while attempts to defend it received boos and hisses from the audience. Three rabbis, Elliott Burstein, Saul White and Bernard Marton, the president of the San Francisco Chapter of Hadassah, Mrs. Louis Bloch, and the president of the local Labor Zionist Council, Louis Tussman, presented the arguments against the survey committee. No representative of the latter group was present and its defense came from scattered individuals in the audience.

The protest meeting concluded with the passage of resolution repudiating the action of the survey committee in condemning the picketing, and empowering the meeting chairman, Sidney Rudy, chairman of the San Francisco Zionist Emergency Council, to call upon leaders of Jewish organizations in San Francisco to act immediately to bring about a thorough democratization of Jewish life here to the end that the opinions and attitudes of the Jewish people be faithfully reflected in the utterances and actions of its spokesmen.

## Want Body Democratized

Rabbi Saul White told the audience: "We must work out plans of organization whereby representation on the survey committee, the Associated Jewish Organizations and the Jewish National Welfare Fund will be elected by and be responsible to the whole community."

"The real trouble," Rabbi Elliott Burstein declared, "is not with the survey committee but with you and me who have allowed things to go too far. I have nothing against these people personally. They are fine people but they suffer from the fear that Jews will become prominent as Jews and not as 'Americans of Jewish faith'."

First speaker from the floor was Col. Gus C. Ringole, who came to the defense of the survey committee by saying, "If it was democratic for a group to picket, then it was democratic for another group to disagree with the picketing."

## Dissenters Have Difficulty

He was stopped by boos and catcalls and shouted: "The survey committee didn't go as far as

they might have. At least they didn't give their letter to the newspapers."

Other survey committee defenders found as little enthusiasm for their views from the audience as did Ringole.

The resolution passed with only three voices dissenting.

## Cannot Kill Fascism By Suppressing Opinion

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

LONDON—Home Secretary James Chuter Ede said in Commons this week that Fascism in Britain could not be cured by giving the Government "fascist powers" to suppress opinion. He made this statement in reply to questions concerning a fascist, anti-Semitic rally in Albert Hall.

The rally was called by the "Britons' Vigilantes Action League," composed mostly of former members of the British Union of Fascists and persons who were interned during the war under the emergency defense regulations.

It was broken up almost immediately after it opened by a crowd of several hundred Communists. Shouting "Down with Fascism," they invaded the meeting and took over the hall, the floor of which was littered with anti-Semitic pamphlets.

## Refugee Saved Production

Jewish World News Service

LONDON—The story how a Jewish refugee, aided by eight other refugees, solved one of Britain's most serious aircraft problems during the war was related this week by Lord Chancellor during a debate in the House of Lords on the refugee problem.

When Lord Airlwyn charged that there were too many Germans employed in government offices, Lord Chancellor disclosed that a serious bottleneck in aircraft production during the early stages of the war had been solved by a Jewish refugee.

## Rabbi David Herzog Dies

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

OXFORD, England—Dr. David Herzog, former Chief Rabbi of Graz, Austria died here this week at the age of 77.

## AJC Asks Probe Of CCNY Too

Special

NEW YORK—Charging that a "full and fair" inquiry had not been held, the American Jewish Congress in a 16-page printed document has asked for a public investigation of the Romance Languages Department of City College of New York. Among the charges are that of 13 persons appointed to teach in the department from 1938 to 1945, none was Jewish.



## B. B. Head Named Judge

A. David Benjamin, president of Albert Einstein B'nai B'rith Lodge, Brooklyn, was appointed to fill a City Court Justice vacancy at a salary of \$17,500, thus becoming the first Republican ever to hold such office in Brooklyn. Judge Benjamin, who is now serving his second term as president of Albert Einstein Lodge, is a director of the Brooklyn division of the American ORT Society and co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, Brooklyn division.

## MG Arresting Jews On Nazi-Like Charges

Jewish World News Service

LONDON—The military authorities in the British zone of occupied German have lately started to arrest many Jews on the denunciation of Germans. The denunciations are of a fantastic character and are obviously dictated by Nazi anti-Semitism. Nevertheless, it is obvious that the British authorities prefer to believe the Germans rather than the Jews.

The authorities have also raided the offices of the Jewish Committees in Hanover, Kiel, Flensburg and other camps in the British zone. Many documents were confiscated and the activities of the Committees have been considerably curtailed.

## Vienna Called Center Of Anti-Jewish Poison

World Wide News Service

VIENNA—The Austrian capital "is the center of the ugliest and most treacherous anti-Semitism," it was reported last week in the official journal of the Jewish Community Organization here.

In an article in the organization's official journal dealing with a wave of anti-Jewish sentiment currently sweeping Vienna, a Jewish doctor said that while "it is not considered wise now to talk about it," the fact remained that anti-Semitism was being applied "in practice" and that it was "more poisonous than ever."

Herbert H. Lehman, retiring Director General of UNRRA, received the annual Human Brotherhood Award of the League of Fraternal Organizations of the Jewish Education Committee at a ceremony at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

# Wise Demands N.Y. Make Columbia Pay Taxes for its Race Bias Policy

NEW YORK (WNS)—Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, has filed an application with the New York City Tax Commission to cancel the tax exemption granted to Columbia University as a non-sectarian educational institution on the ground that it practices racial and religious discrimination against student applicants.

Dr. Wise argued that "an institution claiming to be non-sectarian, which selects students not solely and exclusively because of their intellectual ability and moral character, but for the avowed purpose of serving racial or religious prejudices, does not devote its property exclusively to educational purposes and is not an educational institution within the meaning of the tax law."

## 'Miss America '45' Says Hate Mars Beauty

Special

BOSTON, Mass.—Speaking before the editors of some three score high school publications in eastern Massachusetts at the Copley-Plaza here Saturday, Miss Bess Myerson, 21-year-old "Miss America," declared that "a person with a hateful soul never can be beautiful, because hate is a corroding disease which affects everything you do."

Miss Myerson, who is known for her combination of beauty and brains, and holds a B. A. degree in music from Hunter College, in commenting on her tour through the country to bring about better intercultural understanding, declared in an interview: "The youngsters are sincere but the seeds of prejudice are unwittingly planted in the minds of children by their parents. The children have a genuine desire to do the right thing. The biggest job of all lies in the educational systems of the country."

Miss Myerson told her youthful listeners, "you can't be beautiful and hate. If you think beautifully, you'll be beautiful. Beauty is not entirely external. It encompasses one's thoughts, expressions, feelings, spirit, personality. A happy, cheerful, understanding person, to my mind, has a sense of beauty that is priceless. A person with a hateful soul never can be beautiful, because hate is a corroding disease which affects everything we do."

That the university does discriminate, Dr. Wise asserted, is proved by a statistical study of its admission practices over a period of 20 years made by the American Jewish Congress. Dr. Wise began the action before the Tax Commission both as a taxpayer and as president of the American Jewish Congress, which, he cites, has been chartered "to secure and maintain equality of opportunity for Jews everywhere."

The Jewish Congress study, he points out, shows that Columbia has denied to Jewish students "their right to medical education and the opportunity to make their contribution to the practice and progress of medicine, solely because of their religion."

He cited a statistical table of admissions to the College of Physicians and Surgeons from 1920 to 1940 which was submitted to the Tax Commission. This table shows, asserted Dr. Wise, that Columbia has steadily reduced both the number of students admitted despite an ever-increasing number of qualified Jewish applicants.

## Would Deny Tax Exemptions

Special

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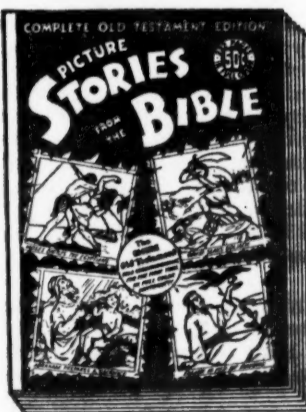
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# Jewish Man Gives Church Group Use of Estate for 2 Months

By GRANBERY DICKSON

Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Ministerial Association gratefully accepted Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Blumenthal's offer to make available their mountain estate, Wildacres, at Little Switzerland, N. C., as a retreat for church groups and families affiliated with the churches through July and August.

Mr. Blumenthal, who has extensive business interests in Charlotte, made known, through

Rev. S. M. Inman, pastor of Eelwyn Avenue Presbyterian church, his and Mrs. Blumenthal's desire to place a 70-room hotel on the estate at the service of church leaders for the two-month period without cost to the visiting ministers and laymen except for food and related expenses—no rental charge.

It was indicated that a number of Protestants will take advantage of the offer.

# NEW YORK

By M. Z. FRANK

IF THE readers are interested, here is a bit of autobiographical material: the three men who are responsible for the fact that from a Hebrew teacher I became a Jewish journalist are Maurice N. Eisendrath, rabbi; Meyer W. Weisgal, editor, and N. K. an uncircumcized gentleman, publisher and promoter.

It all happened in Toronto, where I began life in 1925 as assistant principal of the Talmud Torah and where four years later, when I was already Principal, Eisendrath began life as an anti-Zionist and where a short time after and because of Eisendrath, Meyer, W. Weisgal took up his exile after his party in the ZOA got a licking and became the editor of the Jewish Standard.

The Jewish Standard came into being because the Zionists of Toronto were ripping mad (as only Zionists can be ripping mad) on account of an editorial in the Jewish Review written by Eisendrath soon after his arrival, commenting on the riots in Palestine in August 1929. Since the Zionists never liked the Review anyway (and I don't blame them), they started a new paper which was to be, and is a super-duper, and Meyer was invited to do the trick, which he did—running an Anglo-Jewish weekly which seemed to be meant more for his friends in New York than for the Jews of Canada. It was great while it lasted, but it did not last long. Anyway, I began writing for it quite often. And by the time the number fourteen editor of the weekly had to be appointed, I got the job.

BY THE TIME number fourteen editor was to be appointed the paper had been leased out by one non-Jewish firm which held it for the non-payment of a debt by another non-Jewish publisher, to a third non-Jew, a promoter who seemed to think that anything Jews touch must have more gold than the gold mines in Northern Ontario he was promoting. I became editor of the Jewish Standard some ten or eleven years ago and ran it for three years. Strange to say, it is still in existence, and I understand, it buys some of my columns from The Jewish Post, under my old caption "Frankly Speaking."

Now to go back to Eisendrath. (We shall have to leave Meyer for another occasion: one benefactor at a time). Eisendrath came to Toronto in 1929 and left it in 1942 or 1943. He set a record for reform rabbis in Toronto. Of his predecessors, Barnett Brickner was there only four years and Ferdinand M. Isserman only two. The former has been in Cleveland and the latter in St. Louis ever since they left Toronto.

For twelve solid years, no matter how hard he tried, Eisendrath could not live down his reputation as an enemy of Zion. Had it not been for the Canadian Jewish Congress in the building of which he played an eminent role, Eisendrath would have been kept out of important communal leadership in Canada. All because of his alleged anti-Zionism.

AT THE FIRST SESSION of the American Jewish Conference in the Waldorf Astoria in New York three years ago, there were, if you recall, four votes against the resolution on Palestine. "Were you one of the four?" I asked Eisendrath when I met him in the hall. "I helped draw up the Resolution" he answered. I think the whole preamble was written by him.

The other day I sat in Eisendrath's office in New York, listening to his story of how he averted an anti-Zionist coup at the last convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. According to other reform rabbis I have spoken to Eisendrath's work in keeping the UAHC within the Conference and preventing a split was greater than he made me believe.

IN TORONTO Eisendrath did not escape some of my journalistic shafts. One row was a pretty bad one. But I never attacked him for his anti-Zionism. Because I never thought he was an anti-Zionist. He never spoke of "dual allegiance"; he never claimed that Zionism was incompatible with the true nature of Jewish religion; he never deprecated the Zionist effort. What he lacked was a warm emotional approach, a feeling of identity with the people who were engaged in the great endeavor and with the masses of Jews generally. Judaism to him was an abstraction and the Jewish people from Eastern Europe baffled him. Now he respected them; now he tried to respect them; now he could ill conceal his supercilious attitude—of which he was probably not aware. The Zionists who decried Eisendrath as a virulent anti-Zionist were merely venting their resentment against his emotional attitude, without themselves realizing what was being their attitude. Eisendrath, on the other hand, made many efforts to understand both Zionism and the Zionists. It took him less time to understand the former than the latter.

In 1935 or 1936 he took a trip to Palestine and came back an enthusiastic supporter of the Histadruth. In the voluntary Socialist experiments of the collective farms he saw the highest expression in modern times of the ideals of the Hebrew Prophets.

I THINK Eisendrath today is more of a Zionist than he was after his trip to Palestine. But, after the past six years, all of us are more Zionist than we were. Anti-Zionists have become non-Zionists; non-Zionists have become moderate Zionists; moderate Zionists have become adherents of a Jewish Commonwealth. Of course, I am speaking of people who do a bit of honest intelligent thinking.

Take Magnes, for instance. Today he demands a bi-national state with numerical parity between Jews and Arabs. When he first started out on his career of making peace with the Arabs, he advocated an arrangement by which the Jew would be allowed to form one-third of the Palestine population (that was before Hitler came to power); a few years ago he raised it to forty percent; now he is willing to grant us fifty percent.

Ten years ago I would have accepted Magnes's present plan with enthusiasm. Today I refuse to have the number of Jewish immigrants into Palestine limited to another three quarters of a million. I refuse to have Arab birth-rate determine the number of admissible Jews: one Jew for every little Arab born in Palestine.

BUT TO GO BACK to Eisendrath and the Reform Jews. He is probably the first man on that job of Executive Director of the

## THE COLUMN WITHOUT A NAME

There is a concert in our town this Sabbath eve. Four hundred youthful voices will accompany the singing strings and shouting horns of the young people's symphony orchestra. As at every concert in our town, many Jews will be present. Sponsoring it are numerous young Jewish members and officers of the youth symphony group, as well as the adult symphony association, which this editor, along with many of his co-religionists, has supported since its inception.

Most of the Jewish patrons who will attend this Friday night concert generally find it difficult to get away from home on other Friday nights. We know because they often make excuses to us. "The weather has been so bad lately" or "It was so nice last Friday that we decided to take a walk instead" or "It's so hard to get sitters for the youngsters. And then Jack generally works harder on Friday to get ready for the Saturday rush, and usually gets home too late and too tired to go to Sabbath Services" or "There are so many affairs going on during the week that one hardly feels up to getting dressed on Friday night, too. Unless, of course, we have company, and then, you can't impose on your company to come to services (Can you, Rabbi?). Besides, it's much more relaxing to have a quiet game of gin or bridge, or listen to 'Famous Jury Trials'."

But when it comes to scheduling a concert on the Friday night, there's no objection. The Jews, at least, will turn out, as they never do for ordinary Sabbath services, to get the spiritual uplift of a symphony concert.

Violation of Sabbath laws by people who MUST work on the Sabbath has become a necessary condition of our economic survival in America. It is a sad re-nings. Rabbi Herschel Levin, in

UAHC who is making a go of it. His Canadian experience has served him well. Himself a German Jew of the third generation in America, he had an opportunity to become acquainted—not always in the most pleasant way—with the East European Jews who in Canada, and especially in Toronto, are fairly recent arrivals. The smaller and more homogeneous Canadian Jewish community provides an excellent laboratory for American Jewry. To have helped build up the Canadian Jewish Congress is a preliminary lesson in building up the American Jewish Conference. By trying to keep the UAHC within the Conference, although he himself is not in agreement with many of its policies, Eisendrath, on the basis of his Canadian experience, is probably laying the groundwork not only for a more effective American Jewish Conference but also for a more vital and influential Reform movement in America, in which he has always been keenly interested.

And now we come back to the subjective personal element. It has a general application and a moral.

I grew up in an atmosphere of prejudice against Reform Judaism. Not so much on religious grounds, because the orthodox influences in my life were almost nil, but mainly on Zionist grounds. Reform was in my mind identical with anti-Zionism and assimilation. Besides, I could not stomach it because it was the religion of the nouveau riches and the snob.

TODAY, when I see Reform Judaism changing for the better both ideologically and sociologically and becoming a vital force in the lives of hundreds of thousands of American Jews, my attitude ought to change. And so it has—intellectually. But I can never develop even the fraction of the enthusiasm for Reform Judaism that Eisendrath has who has grown up in it and who has made it his life's work. I could therefore understand—and to some extent I did understand years ago, in Toronto—that it was natural for Eisendrath, who grew up in an environment totally different from mine, to have a different emotional attitude on Zionism than I had.

I cannot describe Eisendrath's background. Nobody could do it well but he himself—and Al Segal. But I can describe my own. Some other time.

IN THE MEANTIME I want to report that I experienced a mephistophelian sort of joy in publicly honoring the man who insulted me in private. I was at the Founders' Day Dinner of the Jewish Institute of Religion, I thoroughly enjoyed myself. I think it is a fine institution and that it has a fine founder and president. (I am discussing the Jewish Institute of Religion, not the World Jewish Congress). It has a fine staff and a fine librarian who has been especially nice to me, obliging me with the latest Hebrew books. I don't go there to get a book in the library, I go there to see Simon Halkin. So I have an idea about the spirit of the place. The JIR has done a great deal to break the rigid self-satisfaction of Reform Judaism in America and to make it aware of its dynamic possibilities and of its duty to keep abreast of the times. Besides, it produced Philip Bernstein.

sult of the exigencies of the gentile environment in which we make our living. But such compulsion on Saturday CERTAINLY DOES NOT REQUIRE US TO VIOLATE THE SABBATH EVE as well. Many Jews understand that a universal Friday night observance will compensate in part, at least, for the violation of the rest of the Sabbath. Good Christians generally understand that, too, and often, as a vesture of good will, attend the Friday eve services now held in many synagogues. If the Jewish board members and sponsors of musical and other events in this city would only speak up when a concert is scheduled on the Sabbath or (like the Horowitz concert this year) on "erev Pesach" or some other holiday, their Christian co-sponsors, who have an appreciation of Judaism which many of us lack, would be only too happy to cooperate.

Of course some will say that this editor being a Rabbi is prejudiced, that there are many Jews who are not religious, and who, therefore, should not be deprived of the pleasure of a Friday night concert. But the truth is that all Jews who believe in the survival of Judaism, whether as a people, as a religion, or merely, as a culture (and those categories include MOST Jews) agree that the Sabbath is of great value. (1. The Rabbis said: "Even as Israel has kept the Sabbath, so the Sabbath has kept Israel." 2. The Jewish nationalists and socialists point out that on the non-religious farm settlements in Palestine, the Sabbath is universally observed. Its humanitarian value as a day of rest for workers is mighty.) The Sabbath is the Jews' greatest humanitarian as well as religious gift to Western Civilization.

Our local cultural leaders should be aware of this. They should be soundly spanked for their careless violation. Concerts can be scheduled for other evenings.

The Jewish Weekly News, Springfield, Mass.

I am a liberal Jew, father of two young children. I have to go to the office on Saturday. How can I impress my children with the observance of the Sabbath? —A. B.

Dear A. B.:

The Sabbath, which is the oldest Jewish institution, can be so observed in a modern home as to give the family a sense of its holiness and the experience of relaxation and inspiration. The following are a few suggestions:

1. Your wife should light candles on Friday evening and, in the presence of the children, recite the following benediction: "Boruch atto adonoy elohenu melech ho-olom. Asher kiddshonu b'mitzvosov vetzivonu lehadlik ner shel Shabbos. Praised by Thou O Lord our God who hast sanctified us with Thy commandments and ordained us to kindle the Sabbath lights." She may then offer a prayer for the health and the happiness of the family and have the children say Amen.

2. The Friday evening meal should be a family feast. The best dishes and table cloths should be used. The entire family should be dressed in their best for the occasion and one or two hymns should be sung during the meal. You may use any of the hymns that are normally sung in Temple on Friday evening, such as "Come O Sabbath," etc. You may easily learn to recite the Kiddush over a cup of wine at the opening of the meal. If you can't read Hebrew, you will find the translation of the Kiddush on page 93 of the Union Prayerbook.

You may make a practice of telling your children a brief story from Jewish history each Friday evening during the meal, or have the children tell the story they had learned in Sunday School the previous Sunday.

3. The habit of Synagogue attendance at Friday evening services, which usually follows the meal, should be cultivated in each family. If your children are old enough, by all means bring them along. In any event, their knowledge that you go to Synagogue on Friday evening will give your children a sense of identity with the Jewish community.

4. On Saturday morning, your wife may take the children to services or she may read with them the portion of the week from the Bible. Any Jewish calendar will indicate what chapters are read from the Bible in the Synagogue each Saturday.

In any event, she and the children should be dressed neatly on the Sabbath morning and spend the time in relaxation, singing or in game playing or walking. The noon meal should again be the mother's occasion for family union. As far as the afternoon is concerned, we in the liberal community would not discourage any form of relaxation or recreation which the children like best—movies, ball games, etc.

5. Saturday evening meal should again be a family occasion. This is the time when relatives and friends might visit with you and nieces and nephews might come to play with your children.—Rabbi Ahron Opher, in The Tabernacle Bulletin of the Hebrew Tabernacle of Washington Heights.

### Sermon of the Week

"Can America Save Judaism?"—Dr. Felix A. Levy at Emanuel Congregation, Chicago, Ill.

There are times when I do not seem to understand the workings of some Jewish minds. Evidently many of our people lack a sense (Continued on next page.)

## Say Syrian Jews 'Instructed' As 3 Testify Only 1 Minute

### Leaders' Testimony Differs Greatly From Known Facts

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
**DAMASCUS**—Amid reports that a high Syrian Government official met with Jewish community leaders last week and instructed them as to what they might not say, three Jewish representatives testified here before the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine.

Each made a hasty one-minute speech, the substance of which was that "We are Syrians, like every other Syrian. We enjoy full freedom. We are prosperous and well treated. We have no relationship whatsoever with the Zionist movement."

Chairman Joseph Hutcheson remarked admiringly: "You Syrians certainly are brief. Thank you. Is there anything else you would like to say?" The three Jewish spokesmen—David Totah, Sabri Kignado and Dr. David Pinto—shook their heads negatively and, obviously relieved, hurried back to their seats.

It is quite apparent that Jewish leaders here are so fearful of the position of the Jews and so frightened regarding reactions to anything they might say or do, that they are unwilling even to be seen in the presence of members of the inquiry committee or representatives of the press.

#### Half Need Assistance

Of the 3,000 Jews in Damascus, about half are so poor that they would starve, if not for the money collected by Damascus Jewish groups from Jews abroad, as well as personal gifts from relatives abroad. Of the other half, 30 per cent are peddlers or small merchants, 15 per cent are of the middle class and five per cent are wealthy.

Practically all of the Jews who live above subsistence level are of the merchant class. There are only six doctors, no lawyers, no industrialists, no engineers and no architects. Prior to World War I, Damascus had a Jewish community of about 30,000, which was one of the most prosperous in the Middle East. Now it is a dying community, fearful of its existence, unprotected and living virtually completely in a single Jewish quarter, which can only be called a ghetto. There are no more than five Jewish families living outside this section.

It is estimated that 90 per cent of the Damascus Jews would emigrate to Palestine, if they were permitted to do so.

#### Famous School Closed

The situation of the Jews, from the point of view of education is equally unfortunate. The famed Jewish school here, founded by the Alliance Israelite of France, which was attended by 1,300 students between five and sixteen years of age, was closed down by the authorities when the French were ousted as the rulers of Syria. As a result there is no general Jewish school, except for the Maimonides School, which is a Talmud Torah attended by about 300. The other students are either forced to attend a Jesuit school, or no school, if they cannot afford tuition.

#### Morris Weil Dies

**HILLSBORO, Ore.**—Morris Weil, 53, a post commander of the local American Legion post and active in many other organizations, died at his home here. He was owner of the Weil Department Store.

## 250,000,000 JVA WOULD PAY FOR ITSELF IN YEAR, BODY TOLD

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
**JERUSALEM**—The man who designed the Grand Coulee and Boulder Dams, John Savage, told the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee that the use of the Jordan River waters for irrigation and generation of electric power would add at least 1,500,000 people to the absorptivity of Palestine.

### Seeking Final, Not Temporary, Solution

**Jewish World News Service**  
**JERUSALEM**—The Anglo-American committee, whose hearings here are to end this week, has reached a decision urging immediate, full and final solution of the Palestine problem, according to well-informed sources here who simultaneously disclosed that the committee members were unanimously opposed to any solution of the problem contemplating a transitory period.

At the same time it was reported that such wide divergence of opinion existed among the committee members on the nature and character of the solution that the possibility of a unanimous report has virtually been eliminated. There is a distinct possibility, however, that the final report may recommend either partition or a binational state based on the principle of Jewish-Arab numerical parity. Judge Hutcheson, American co-chairman of the committee, was said to have expressed himself in favor of a binational state.

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(Continued from preceding page) of proportion and do not properly understand the spirit of Judaism.

I say this in connection with a recent experience at a funeral. The deceased had been a member of a fraternal order (its name is not material to our discussion) which has a ritual for funerals. The head of the organization, a Jew, in arranging for the services, told me that according to the rules of the order, its service must follow, not precede mine. When I informed him that this would not fall in with my plans, he told me that he had to carry out the regulations. It did not seem to trouble him at all that as a Jew, there might be certain regulations of his religion which conflicted with his fraternal obligations. This happens not to be the case, because for me it was merely a matter of procedure. But this Jew put the rules of his order above those of his faith.

The service began and I listened intently. Its wording was beautiful but the expressions used and the prayers which were recited were definitely Christian. Yet the participants were untroubled by this consideration. I even doubt if they knew the source of the words they were using.

But this is not the only example of what seems to me to be an affront to Jewish religious practice. The impressive ritual of the wedding ceremony is spoiled by the singing of secular melodies, the music of which would not find favor with any good musician. If there is need for any non-liturgical music in the wedding ceremony, why can it not be chosen from some of the modern Palestinian melodies or from Biblical passages which have been put to music?

We must realize that the dignity and prestige of Jewish life can be maintained only if we

Savage later told a press conference that realization of the "Lowdermilk Plan" would annually add to Palestine's economic wealth a sum equal to the entire cost of the project, approximately \$250,000,000. Irrigation of semi-arid lands, historically among the most fertile in the world, would bring an additional 600,000 acres under cultivation, and provide a livelihood for a minimum of 400,000 farm population, he said. The development, which could be built in ten years, would provide immediate work for 4,000 people, according to Hays.

At the hearing, Hays said, he had pointed out that if the Jordan Valley had been in Southern California it would have been irrigated a century ago. The valley lies in the same latitude as Southern California and enjoys much the same conditions of temperature and rainfall, except that the growing season is longer in Palestine. Hays added that the Palestine Government did not seem interested in the project.

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ourselves show a proper respect for our ceremonies and observances. We cannot compromise with passing fancies nor cheapen the grandeur of our ritual by the introduction into it of extraneous and alien elements. Either we are proud of our faith or we are not. A rigid adherence to our high standards is bound to win us the respect of Jews and of non-Jews.—Rabbi Harry Halpern in The Bulletin of East Midwood Jewish Center.

You object that prayers are repetitious. So is birth and pain and joy and death. The basic emotions are not many. Every great symphony repeats a limited number of musical ideas. But they set off great surges of feeling in the listener. It is not what is in the prayer book that is alone important. What you bring to it is equally important. The more you experience, the more you reflect on that experience, the more meaning and satisfaction you find in these expressions of universal human sentiments. In turn the verbalizing of these sentiments with the aid of the catalytic words of the prayer book and the quiet persuasion of the music enables you to assimilate more profoundly the things that happen to you and to evaluate them more wisely. . . .

Nor need you sacrifice your intelligence, your freedom of inquiry or judgment to gain this faith. You need only sacrifice your smart-aleckiness, your brittle sensualism, your all-pervasive, all-absorbing materialism, your nose-to-the-grind absorption in the trivia of life. Open yourselves to the great organ tones of our music, to the effulgent radiance of our Sabbath candles, to the joyous sanctification of our kiddush, to the blessed insights of our Torah, to the sacred sublimation into the everlasting stream of life which is the glory of our kaddish—and you will find the faith which made our fathers sing unto the Lord.—Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein.

## CONSULS HOLD UP IMMIGRATION TO U.S. DELIBERATELY—CHARGE

**World Wide News Service**  
**WASHINGTON**—Justice Department officials are "sabotaging" President Truman's directive to facilitate immigration to the United States, it was charged here at a press conference by Dr. Samuel Margoshes, who returned recently from a two-month tour of Poland on behalf of the World Jewish Congress.

### 2 Jews Seeking Nazi Killer Face 10 Years

**World Wide News Service**  
**FRANKFURT**—Two Rumanian-Jewish youths are in jail here, facing 10 years imprisonment because they attempted to find the Nazi who murdered the father of one of them.

Back in 1943, in Cluj, Rumania, the father of 18-year-old Andor Horowitz was arrested and murdered by a Gestapo agent. Later, Andor, his mother and five younger brothers and sisters were sent to Oswiecim. Last May, when the war in Europe ended, only Andor remained alive.

Bent on revenge he returned to Cluj and obtained a photograph of the Gestapo agent. After traveling hundreds of miles, mostly by foot, he enlisted the aid of UNRRA, the military police and the local burgomeister in a town of Bavaria. The burgomeister said the agent had a sister named Schneider in Hoechst. Andor, through the aid of UNRRA, went to the Lampertheim Camp. He met a friend of his concentration camp days, Ber Blum, who also came from Cluj.

#### Find Gestapo Agent's Sister.

Although both youths desired to get to Palestine as soon as possible, they decided to make an attempt to find the Gestapo agent. They located the agent's sister who said her brother had been killed at Leningrad.

When Andor replied he had seen him in Cluj after the Battle of Leningrad, the woman shouted: "This country isn't Palestine" and "it's a pity that some Jews are still living." She then attempted to strike Andor with her washboard. He shoved her back and she fell against some furniture screaming for help. All this time, Ber did nothing.

#### Arrested by Americans.

American military police arrested both boys and laughed at Andor when he asked that they help him retrieve the photo. That was on Feb. 11, and they are still in jail awaiting trial.

Capt. Alan Fraser, a Texas lawyer, attached to the legal section of the AMG, displayed a complete lack of interest in the case and was openly skeptical concerning the youths' story. He revealed that he will be the sole officer presiding at the boys' trial, which will take place before the AMG Intermediate Court, which is authorized to hand out 10-year sentences. Fraser said, however, that the youths will be able to appeal to headquarters at Weisbaden, and then added hastily, "if convicted, of course."

### Rabbi Claims Russia Holding 30,000 Jews

**Jewish World News Service**  
**PARIS**—A claim that 30,000 Hungarian Jews whom the Nazis deported in 1942 for slave labor in Russia, are still being held there as war prisoners, was made by Rabbi Joseph Kaufteil, who has just arrived from Soviet Russia. Rabbi Kaufteil said these Jews are being held as Hungarian war prisoners although they obviously did not belong to the Hungarian army and were deported by the Nazis to work behind the lines because they were Jews.

According to Rabbi Kaufteil, many petitions have been made to the Soviet government to release the 30,000 Jews but all pleas have been rejected.

Declaring that immigration officials were "sabotaging the intent of the President's directive," Dr. Margoshes asserted that he had seen "with my own eyes secret directives to go easy on issuing immigration visas" to the United States. He asserted he saw a secret directive to American consular offices to "pay more attention to the screening of affidavits from friends and relatives in the United States, honoring only those that show unusually high income tax or that came from such close kin as father, mother, sister or brother" and to "reject all other affidavits."

Dr. Margoshes quoted Gerald Keith, charge d'affaires to the American Embassy in Warsaw, as having told him that it would take from three to six months before the first visa from Poland is issued.

State Department spokesmen refused to comment on the existence of "secret directives." A Justice Department official said there was "absolutely nothing to it." The World Jewish Congress, however, was reported contemplating making a direct inquiry to the State and Justice Departments with regard to the "secret directives."

#### Recover 3 Million Books

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
**OFFENBACH, Germany**—Nearly 3,000,000 Jewish books, many dating back to the Middle Ages, have been uncovered in the American zone by search teams of the AMG's Monuments and Fine Arts Office. Capt. S. J. Pomrenze, of Chicago, who is in charge of the military government's fine arts department in Greater Hesse, said that the loot so far recovered fills a large five-story building here, which formerly belonged to I. G. Farben.



#### Jewish Scout Award

Designed to help Jewish boys who are scouts observe the 12th Scout Law, "A Scout Is Reverent," the Jewish Committee on Scouting, an Advisory Committee of the Boy Scouts of America, this week announced a reverence recognition program known as the Ner Tamid Scout Award. The award, a bronze medal, represents the Eternal Light which burns before the Holy Ark in the Synagogue.

To obtain the Ner Tamid Award, a Boy Scout must show that he not only has satisfactory knowledge of Jewish history but that he has fulfilled certain home and synagogue observances.

## Lewis on Books

By DR. THEODORE N. LEWIS

### FORGOTTEN BOOKS OF JEWISH LITERATURE

THE APOCRYPHAL LITERATURE by Charles C. Torrey, Aristeas" are of great importance for the history of Jewish thought.

By ROBERT GORDIS

THE vitality of the Jewish spirit is inexhaustible. Even the composition of the Bible, that matchless collection of literary and religious masterpieces did not drain the creative energies of the Jewish people. While the latest books of the Bible were still being written, another type of intellectual activity was being carried on—the development of the Oral Law. Its purpose was to interpret the written Law or Torah, where it was unclear, amplify it where it was brief and extend its provision to meet new conditions and insights. Thus the Torah continued to serve as the fountainhead of Judaism and the constitution of the Jewish people. The result of this new activity, which lasted a thousand years, was the Talmud, the second great monument of the Jewish spirit.

Between Biblical and Rabbinic literature however, or as our Christian friends would put it, between the Old and the New Testaments, lies another extraordinarily interesting branch of Jewish literature. These books, written during the second Temple period, roughly from the third century B. C. E. to the first century C. E. are usually called by the forbidding title "Apocrypha." This Greek word means "hidden works" and has been referred by some scholars to the old Jewish practice of hiding away or storing unwanted books, rather than destroying them. It was this custom which produced the famous "Genizah" or synagogue storehouse at Cairo, the unsuspected treasures of which were revealed to the world by Solomon Schechter four decades ago.

This explanation of the term "Apocrypha" however, does not commend itself, since Rabbinic literature describes such books, not as "hidden," but as sefarim hitzonim "outside books," that is, outside the accepted collection or canon of Scripture. More probably the Apocrypha were called by this name because, as is indicated by such passages as IV Ezra 14:6 45ff, they were regarded as hidden from the masses and intended only for the select and initiated few.

MANY OF THESE BOOKS are the products, not of the broad highways of Jewish life and thought, but of the alleys and byways of minor sects and secret groups of extremists. Some are couched in mysterious language or are attributed to ancient worthies like Adam, Enoch, Noah, the Sons of Jacob, Moses and Isaiah, in order to give them greater authority. Books of this latter type are often called pseudopigraphs, "books with falsely ascribed authors."

On the other hand, the Apocrypha contains many works rich in variety, content and abiding value. Any intelligent reader will find interest in such great historical masterpieces as the first two "Books of the Maccabees" or in engrossing works of fiction like "Tobit," "Judith" and "Susanna," the oldest detective story ever written. So too the reader will be both entertained and instructed by the penetration, humor and common sense of "Ben Sira" and be moved by the exalted piety and poetry of "the Wisdom of Solomon." Even lesser works like "Jubilees," "The Twelve Patriarchs," "The Book

IN SPITE OF its interest, this entire literature may well be described as the "Forgotten Books of Jewish Literature." Written for the most part in Hebrew or Aramaic, they were originally very popular, as is attested by the fact that they soon were translated into Greek, Latin, Syriac, Ethiopic or Slavonic. Then suddenly, they seem to have been dropped by the Jewish people and were all but lost to the Jewish consciousness.

The reasons are not far to seek. These books, as was indicated above, were in part the work of religious sects, with extreme viewpoints, that were similar to the early Christians, who were, of course, of Jewish origin. Moreover, since these writings were not part of the Bible, the text of which was well known and officially protected, they were easily liable to changes and additions by readers and scribes. When early Christianity arose, these books offered excellent propaganda material for the new faith, especially when subjected to changes and glosses. Hence, the official teachers of Rabbinic Judaism pronounced against their use, while it is to the Christian church that we are indebted for their preservation.

Even in the Christian Church, the Apocrypha had a chequered career. The Roman Catholic Church prints some of them in its Bible, because it regards them as inspired, though in a lesser degree than the canonical books. The Protestant churches generally regard the Apocrypha as "edifying," but not as part of Scripture, at times issuing them in separate volume.

THIS FASCINATING literature has been intensively studied by scholars, yet much more remains to be done. In English, the last comprehensive treatment has been the massive two-volume edition by R. H. Charles, "The Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament" (Oxford 1913), running to nearly 1,600 large pages. The appearance of a new and briefer treatment of the subject by the brilliant Semitic and Biblical scholar Charles C. Torrey of Yale is therefore to be welcomed heartily.

In the General Introduction, Professor Torrey discusses the contents of this literature, the various names applied to it, the ancient Jewish attitude toward it and the many controversies in the Christian Church as to its value and use. Then follow Special Introductions to twenty-seven books of the Apocrypha. In each case, he presents vividly and succinctly the contents and point of view of each book, its date and language of composition and other pertinent facts.

Torrey's career has always been marked by wide erudition, brilliance of presentation and boldness and originality of outlook. These characteristic qualities have been notable in his challenging of many accepted views. Thus he has denied the historicity of Ezra, Nehemiah and the Babylonian Exile generally, argued against the authenticity of the Second Isaiah and Ezekiel, and maintained that the New Testament Gospels were originally written in Aramaic. Even when his theories were not accepted, his work has been recognized as stimulating and valuable.

EVEN in this brief introduction to the Apocrypha, Torrey finds scope for his originality and brilliance. He points to many examples of mistranslation of Hebrew and Aramaic originals that occur in books hitherto regarded by scholars as written in Greek. As between the Apocryphal book of "First Esdras" and the Biblical "Ezra-Nehemiah," he regards the former as the older form, and the latter a condensation, where the accepted view regards them as concurrent forms of the same sources. Torrey has also revived the older view of Lange, Kaulen and Scholz, now generally abandoned, that the Hebrew "Book of Esther" originally contained the six passages now preserved only in the Greek. Accordingly, while scholars call these sections "Additions," Torrey calls them "The Rest of the Book."

He offers striking evidences of mistranslation to show that the "Epistle of Jeremiah" was not written in Greek as maintained by Fritzsche, or in Hebrew, as suggested by Ball, but in Aramaic. In this reviewer's opinion, he conclusively demonstrates that the "First Maccabees" was written by an eyewitness of that heroic struggle for freedom, and not a half century later, as maintained by Oesterley on very weak grounds. Torrey argues that the Genizah fragments of Ben Sira discovered by Schechter are not the original text but medieval retractions from the Syriac. He accepts Kohler's view that the little known "Testament of Job" is a genuinely Jewish Midrash, with no Christian additions.

IN SEVERAL INSTANCES, Torrey's penetrating observations may be illumined or modified by additional evidence. He points out that "Ben Sira," the best beloved work in the Apocrypha continued to be cited by the Rabbis and suggests that this was done from memory (p. 15). We may add that the rabbis of the Talmud generally quoted even the Bible from memory. To this fact most of the variations between the Talmudic quotations and the Received Text of the Bible are to be attributed. Torrey points out that in Luke 11:49 ff, a passage is introduced by the words, "The Wisdom of God says," doubtless the title of a book now lost. On the other hand, in the parallel passage in Matthew 23:34 f. the same passage appears without any reference to this work. Torrey notes this as "remarkable," but it seems to be authentic Jewish usage. Thus in the Mishnah, the sage Samuel offers a maxim which is a direct quotation of Prov. 24:17 (Abot 4:24) and Rabbi Levitas is credited with a saying which is a free quotation of Ben Sira 7:17 (Abot 4:4), yet both are given without any indication that they are quotations.

In the "Wisdom of Solomon" (7:22 ff.) Wisdom is glorified through the enumeration of twenty-one attributes, a usage which Torrey following Cornill, regards as "anomalous" in Hebrew poetry (p. 101). This reviewer has recently demonstrated (in the Journal of Biblical Literature, March, 1943) that the use of seven and multiples of seven constitutes a regular rhetorical device in Biblical and Rabbinic literature. Torrey declares that when the author of the "Wisdom of Solomon" took on the guise of Solomon, he had no thought of deceiving the reader, but was merely adopting a common literary usage, which saw in the great king the symbol of Wisdom (p. 91). Whatever may have been the Apocryphal author's intent, it surely was in this spirit that the author of the Biblical Book "Ecclesiastes" described himself as "son of David, king in Jerusalem."

All in all, Professor Torrey has

## Between You and Me

By BORIS SMOLAR



IT CAN now be told that the reason why the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee did not publish an interim report, as expected, is due to the disagreements among the members of the committee. . . . It seems that they could not agree among themselves with regard to some vital issues which they would have to touch upon, if an interim report were published. . . . While there was general agreement that the camps for displaced Jews must be cleared immediately, the dissension centered around the question of where the displaced Jews should be disposed of. . . . American members of the Inquiry Committee demanded that Palestine be mentioned in the interim report as a final solution of the problem. . . . The British insisted that all European boundaries should be frozen for Jews in order to prevent their further infiltration into the American and British zones. . . . Judging from the divergencies which developed among the members of the Inquiry Committee, it can be assumed that there will be a majority and minority report when the Committee concludes its hearings. . . . The majority report may recommend admission of all the displaced Jews to Palestine within a number of years, while the minority report may make more favorable recommendations. . . . Large-scale plans for advising Jewish communities in Europe with regard to fighting anti-Semitism, and the restoration of their legal rights are now being made by the American Jewish Committee. . . . A special office has been opened in London by the Committee to conduct this work. . . . This is the first time in the history of the American Jewish Committee that it has opened an office overseas to maintain direct contact with Jewish communities in Europe and in Africa. . . . The office is the result of the recent conference of representatives of Jewish communities convoked in London jointly by the Anglo-Jewish Association and the American Jewish Committee.

A number of books have been written on King David, but the best of them is "David the King" by Gladys Schmitt, just published by the Dial Press. . . . This is a rich portrait of the King of Israel, drawn by a very gifted writer who possesses the magic of the pen in the same way as Rembrandt possessed the magic of the brush. . . . Miss Schmitt sticks very strictly to the facts about David and his surroundings as related in the Bible. . . . Yet no lover of the Bible who read and reread the story of David a dozen times can help being fascinated by Miss Schmitt's novel. . . . It is like seeing a technicolor. . . . Not only does the character of David emerge fully and clearly in the book, but also the major figures who cross his path are clearly portrayed. . . . Thus one reads a modern novel portraying friend-

produced a brief, readable and comprehensive Introduction to the Apocrypha. It is to be hoped that it will revive interest in the "Forgotten Books" and help make them once again a living element of human culture.

Dr. Lewis this week turns over his book reviewing column to Dr. Robert Gordis, one of the more brilliant younger men in the rabbinate. Rabbi Gordis is President of the Rabbinical Assembly, Associate Professor of the Jewish Theological Seminary and the author of many important books.

ship, love, bravery, passion, intrigue, treachery, fear and other human qualities which are still a part of the human nature, even though the heroes are as old as the Bible. . . . Many who will read Miss Schmitt's novel will, no doubt, feel as one does when he sees Shakespeare's plays on the stage performed in modern dress. . . . The novel somehow brings King David to life, his love affairs very close psychologically to our life of today. . . . Much of its absorbing interest is definitely due to the brilliant style in which the volume is written and which keeps the reader intensely interested in the novel up to the last of its 630 pages.

Watch for the new organization "Atomic League of America." . . . The people behind it are the same ones who headed the reactionary "American Foundation" which patronizes anti-Semitic publications. . . . In case you don't know it, the sum of \$280,000 in funds and commitments has already been secured within two months toward \$300,000 needed as initial expenses for the nationwide anti-Semitic radio hook-up for Upton Close, a radio commentator known for his anti-Jewish sentiments. . . . It is now revealed that several of the defendants of the Washington sedition trial received substantial financial assistance through Edward H. Hunter of Boston, who died last June. . . . For at least three years, prior to his death, Hunter had acted as a channel for an unknown donor in subsidizing anti-Semitic groups and leaders directly involved in the sedition trial. . . . Hunter, whose front organization, "The Industrial Defense Association," was dissolved by the Massachusetts legislature in 1941, was one of the "pioneers" who organized anti-Semitism in America. . . . The identity of the benefactor he represented is not known, but despite his death payments to the anti-Semitic leaders continued until late this year. . . . His former secretary, Evelyn Tankard, replaced him as the disbursing agent. . . . Did you hear that Anastase Vonsiatsky, who was one of the most active agents in maintaining liaison among anti-Semitic leaders throughout the world, has now been released on parole? . . . He was convicted in June, 1942, for conspiring to help transmit American military secrets to Japan and Germany. . . . He came to this country as a penniless, White Russian refugee in 1922 and started a publication named "The Fascist" which ceased existence at the end of 1941. . . . A new German group came into existence last month in New York City under the name "The German-American World War II Veterans." . . . Among the first activities of this group was a demonstration of sympathy for three anti-Semites, Homer Martz, Ernest Elmhurst, and Kurt Mertig, who were sentenced to prison terms for spreading "Ritual Murder" and other anti-Semitic literature at a street meeting of the Christian Front.

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## Strictly Confidential

By PHINEAS J. BIRON

### Page Brooklyn's District Attorney

A Jewish lad, Irwin Berman, and his two companions, also Jewish youngsters were assaulted the other day by 20 Gentile boys in Brooklyn. . . . Irwin was stabbed—almost fatally—and is still in a hospital. . . . The police apprehended the main culprits and the court will probably penalize them. . . . But that is not sufficient. The daily press and the police consistently refrained from classifying the incident as an anti-Semitic incident. . . . Finally Kings County District Attorney Miles F. McDonald assigned Edward S. Silver, chief assistant District Attorney to look into charges that the stabbing was one of a series of anti-Semitic outbreaks in the neighborhood. . . . It goes without saying that Mr. Silver will dutifully report that the incident was merely kid stuff; a local gang fight. . . . But there exists incontrovertible evidence, Mr. District Attorney, that the stabbing was an overt anti-Semitic act. . . . We have seen the statement signed by the mother of Irwin in which Mrs. Berman states that the hooligans called her boy "Jew bastard" and "Dirty Jew." . . . So why institute an 'investigation' (merely with a view of suppressing the true character of this un-American outrage. . . .) Must a Jew be killed after being insulted in order to recognize the anti-Semitic nature of his assailant?

### Personalia

Rabbi A. H. Silver did not mince words when he chastised a certain Yiddish newspaper at an off the record press conference. . . . Silver scored that paper for its red baiting policy and said that the Soviet Government would be an important factor when the Palestine issue will be placed on the peace table. . . . No newspaper reported Dr. Wise's quick retort at the Cleveland session of the American Jewish Conference. . . . When Rabbi Silver opposed a co-chairmanship of three Dr. Wise commented, "Dr. Silver is even opposed to a co-chairmanship of two." . . . Could Wise mean the Zionist Emergency Council. . . . When Chaplain Capt. Harry Richmond returned to his congregation in Wichita, Kansas, he was welcomed by a raise doubling his salary. . . . G.I. Maurice Manson, actor, writer and photographer now back in civilian life is being hailed as a camera genius by those who reviewed his pictures of "Italy at War" now on exhibit.

### Attention Mr. Bevin!

The police commissioner of Geisenkirchen, British Zone Germany, is Herr Volkhardt a notorious Nazi. . . . The chief of police in the same town is Major Kleibaum, a member of the Nazi party since 1933. . . . Do you call the appointment of two anti-Semitic fascists to important jobs do-Nazification, Mr. Bevin!

### Attention Mr. Gudstadt!

The Washington Times Herald and the New York Daily News are two of the most notorious sponsoring anti-liberal domestic and foreign policies. . . . In liberal circles these two papers are called fascists. . . . Then why should the Bulletin of the Anti-Defamation League reprint an editorial from these papers under the heading "Patterson Papers Ask for Religious Tolerance." . . . The more so since the editorial in question is a flat uninspired piece of writing.

## JEWISH ART GALLERY

By BEET ROSENBERG

These are common cliches and character sketches of some of the people and institutions of our times. These are the popular conceptions and misconceptions of the Jewish Art Gallery of today.

- REVISIONISM—Zionism in a brown shirt and gun.
- JR. HADASSAH—A Boarding school for Husbands.
- Z.O.A.—Wishy-washy liberalism. A veritable Mugwump with its mug on one side of the fence and its wump on the other.
- MIZRACHI—Zionists with beards. Capitalization on Yesterday.
- AN AMERICAN ZIONIST—A Jew who wants other Jews to go to Palestine.
- A EUROPEAN ZIONIST—A Jew compelled to go to Palestine . . . by whip.
- RABBIS—Professionals, employed by God.
- REFORMISM—Lifelessness. English prayers on Ice.
- ORTHODOXY—Something that happened too long ago.
- CONSERVATISM—No Guide for the Perplexed. Neither here nor there.
- RECONSTRUCTIONISM—Better off Dead.
- JEWISH ORCHESTRA—Three pieces in a Jurisdictional dispute.
- JEWISH THEATRE—Sweat and Tears, for Benefits.
- CASHIER AT A JEWISH THEATRE—Someone who gave the best seats to Mr. Garfinkle, the President of the Talmud Torah.
- JEWISH NATIONAL FUND BOX—Blue and white Schnorr-ring.
- HABONIM—Party Line with Kindergarten blocks.
- HADASSAH—Maternalism with Donor Luncheons.
- LABOR ZIONISM—Labor Zionism. LABOR Zionism, .L.A-BOR ZIONISM.
- JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—Christmas Carols in Sephardic.
- MENASHE SKULNICK—The humorous Adam, forever being ribbed.
- MAURICE SAMUEL—Heavy-booted drama with austerity; a conceited Volga Boatman.
- MOHEL—A butcher with the touch of Leonardo Da Vinci; Yiddits Delight.
- YOM KIPPUR—Fasting in a Lunchroom. . . . The family goes to the Synagogue . . . for insurance.
- CHANUKAH—Christmas can't be far away.

## AL SEGAL Speaks on LITTLE MAN FROM DACHAU

IT was in the Hall of Mirrors, which is the glittering banquet hall of our best hotel, that the man from Dachau came into most of our consciences.

The dinner had been a gay affair, the wind-up of the convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform) and there was a lot of congratulatory feeling because peace had been made in the Union.

Many of the ladies had put on their best dinner gowns after much troubled consultation as to just which dress to wear on an occasion so gorgeous.

Then the dessert and the inevitable tinkle of spoons against coffee cups which told us that the toastmaster desired our attention. He said the usual felicitous things of toastmasters and finally got around to introducing the man who turned out to be from Dachau.



All that most of us knew about him was what the program suggested. His name was Zalman Grinberg and we could guess he was somebody from Europe. The toastmaster said he was a physician, a Lithuanian, chairman of the Council of the Liberated Jews of Germany.

He arose and we saw a slender, smallish man, about 35. We noticed he didn't smile at all, as speakers always do upon being presented; he had none of the wisecracks by which speakers try to break the ice.

"I come to you from a people who have died and who have come alive and who today do not know whether they are living or dead," he began. "We are a small remnant of the 6 millions who were murdered. There are but 100,000 of us in Germany. A chain of miracles saved us. For us, destiny knew no logic.

"In reality we belong in the mass graves of those who were shot in Kharkov, Lublin and Kovno. We belong with the millions who were gassed and burned in Auschwitz and Birkenau. . . . Yet, perhaps, after all, there is logic in our survival. For it is we who remain as witnesses to tell mankind, to proclaim to the world how cruel were our oppressors. And it is we who remain, not merely as ghosts of a haunted and cruel past, but as pioneers to rebuild Jewish life on a firm foundation."

YES, THIS WAS A MAN from Dachau. He had been there and had lived all the deaths he had seen; at Dauchau and on the long way to Dachau. . . . "Turn back and travel with me along the road to torture over which I passed," he said.

He was residing in Kovno, Lithuania, when shortly after June 1, 1941, the Nazis came in on their invasion of Russia. . . . "The devil celebrates his triumph. Infants are shot, ears, noses and fingers are sliced off. . . . The little houses in the suburbs of Kovno run with blood. Groups of men are machine-gunned. . . . Many thousands are dead."

This was the first of the massacres of Jews in Kovno. Those who were left said it must be that the worst was over. What could be worse? But on Aug. 18, 500 Jewish intellectuals of Kovno are marched away to work in the town, but they don't return. After days the Jewish leader of Kovno, Dr. Elkes, ventures to ask the local fuhrer about them. He replies:

"I can inform you that these people do not exist anymore. When the German troops moved into Kovno they found 50 sacks of watered sugar. We were told it was done by Jews and we decided to shoot ten Jews for every sack of watered sugar. Well, ten intellectuals equal one sack of sugar."

Then the people felt this must be the worst; but there were still the 10,800 of them to be butchered in a block at one of the forts around Kovno; there still was to come the dreadful day (March 27, 1944) when the SS rolled through the Kovno ghetto demanding that parents turn over to them all children up to 13. . . . "The children are thrown into trucks, some of them wounded and dying. . . . We try to hide our children in barrels, in cellars, in garrets, among the bed clothes. Some parents poison their children. Some, a pitiful few, have been hidden.

Finally, the day when, the remnant of the ghetto is shipped off to Dachau. . . . "They order all our women and remaining children separated from us. The women weep. . . . My wife weeps and reproaches me for not taking her advice to commit suicide. . . . At last we arrive and are ordered to get out. . . . We are to live in little tents. . . . We are clothed in striped suits and heavy clogs. We cease being humans. We give up thinking. We are more animals."

THEN, IN MAY, the U. S. Army comes rolling through Germany and to Dachau and liberation. Liberation, indeed! . . . "Liberation was the greatest disillusionment of all," the man from Dachau was saying. "It is better today in Germany to be a conquered German than a liberated Jew. There is no firm ground under our feet, no permanent roof over our heads. . . . We can not think of tomorrow. We think only of yesterday. We live still with our dead."

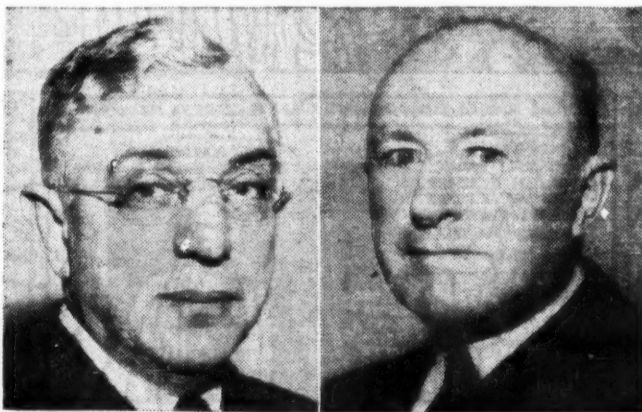
The man from Dachau seemed to come tramping into our consciences, bringing in not just these corpses but all the despairing men who still lived. He said he knew that some of us were non-Zionists or anti-Zionists and he wasn't asking any one to change his mind. He was telling us only what he and all the others of the "liberated" desire. . . . "We wish to go to Palestine. We want to leave the soil of Europe forever. Every day spent on the soil of Europe is a day spent with our past. . . . We believe we have learned what is best for us."

He looked at us over the microphone. Yes, he said, we might not all agree with him about Palestine, but, please, we shouldn't set any obstacles on the hopeful way. Please! Please! . . . "All that we ask is that you should do nothing to make our task more difficult."

The man from Dachau had a train to catch for New York and hurried away from the banquet board, leaving all this with our consciences. They were heavy on my conscience. I had been one of the opposition to the Palestine state idea and I still felt in opposition but I didn't have to make a fight about it, to stand in the way of these homeless people striving toward a safe place. The little man from Dachau certainly had a right to command me to get out of the way and keep still.

(I was happy to learn afterward that ultimately Dr. Grinberg was reunited with his wife and also with his little child, and that's another story.)

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### Seek Double '45 Amount to Fight Bias

Oscar M. Lazrus, (left) chairman of the board of directors of the Benrus Watch Co., and Edmund Waterman, (right) of E. Waterman & Co., food exporters, have been named 1946 executive chairmen of the New York campaign in behalf of the Joint Defense Appeal, fund-raising arm and coordinating body of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. This year the Joint Defense Appeal seeks a national goal of \$5,000,000, representing an increase of 43 per cent over the amount raised last year to meet the additional demands created by the problems arising from post-war tensions.

### Pesin, Jersey Editor, On Afro Honor Roll

SPECIAL JERSEY CITY, N. J.—Meyer Pesin, editor of the Jewish Standard, was one of eight persons chosen in New Jersey on the 1945 New Jersey Afro Honor Roll for outstanding civic and inter-racial work. The New Jersey Afro-American, which sponsors the project, said this of Mr. Pesin:

"Meyer Pesin, Jersey City lawyer and newspaper editor, has been engaged in promoting better racial understanding for the past 19 years. He was organizer and chairman of the Hudson County Fair Employment Practice Commission, which operated four months prior to the State Division Against Discrimination. . . . Mr. Pesin is the type of citizen needed to push New Jersey forward."

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# The Junior Post

For Boys and Girls

By RUTH PALLER

Dear Boys and Girls:

AN SOS is being broadcast to you from the Jewish boys and girls still alive in Europe. Even though these young people managed to live through the dreadful years of war and concentration camps and hunger, they are still in great need. They have no homes, little food, old rags for clothes, and as for toys or books or games—why, many of them have never even heard of such things.

Our mothers and fathers are collecting food and clothes and every kind of supplies to make it possible for our European cousins to stay alive.

But the special SOS to boys and girls is for toys and notions—for all those little things that make young people happy to be alive. There will be containers for your gifts every place where Jewish people get together—synagogues, community centers, re-

ligious schools, and clubrooms all over the United States. From now until after Passover, every time you go to Sunday School or to a club meeting, bring along a little gift to drop in the container. Bring any of the following:

Coloring books, crayons, paints, pencils dolls, games like checkers, cards, or dominoes etc., scissors, marbles, automobiles, kite materials, balls, jacks, needles, thread, thimbles, soap, washcloths, tooth brushes and anything else you would like to give that is fun. See that your gifts are new and clean for they will probably be the only toys these children will have for a long long time.

For the next six weeks, every time you get a treat, buy something to provide a treat for a boy or girl in Europe, whose parents were not fortunate enough to come to America as our ancestors did.

## HOW WE CAME HERE

HERE in America, where religious liberty is a blessing guaranteed by the constitution, the Jewish people are free and able to help the Jewish people in Europe.

But most of our families came originally from Europe. Jewish people came to this country in three great waves, each arriving at a different period and each bringing a group of people that was different from the other two groups.

The first wave brought in the Spanish and Portuguese Jews. Those who settled in this country before the War for Independence belonged chiefly to this group. Other Jews came, too, but they were few compared to the Spanish and Portuguese. They settled in many of the thirteen original colonies and served in the American Revolution.

arrived chiefly from Germany and other lands of Central Europe. Conditions in Germany were not favorable. The rulers were harsh and there was much suffering because of poverty. In 1848, there was a rebellion against the oppression of the government. The revolution was crushed, and freedom-loving Germans, both Jewish and Gentile, flocked to America where there was freedom and opportunity. Before very long, there were many more German Jews in the United States than the earlier Spanish and Portuguese arrivals.

Most of these immigrants were poor and they started as peddlers and small store-keepers. Many found locations for their business in the Middle West, and settled in Louisville, and St. Louis, and Cincinnati.

DOROTHY ZELIGS, in her "History of Jewish Life in Modern Times," tells that the first Jew to settle in Cincinnati was

an Englishman, and he used to tell what curiosity he aroused in a part of the country where few people had ever seen a Jew before.

He told of an old Quaker lady who traveled a number of miles to get a glimpse of him. "Art thou a Jew?" she exclaimed. "Thou art one of God's chosen people. Wilt thou let me examine thee?" Then, after looking him over closely, she cried, "Well, thou art no different to other people."

Many of the German Jewish pioneers became men of wealth and influence. They sent their sons and daughters to college, and these young people became distinguished in the professions and in art as well as in business life.

In 1880 there were a little over two hundred thousand Jews in America.

A YEAR LATER, the third wave of Jewish people began.

This time they came chiefly from Russia, Poland, Roumania and Galicia. They fled from the pogroms and the harsh laws and came to the United States to seek freedom and a good life. By the hundreds of thousands, Jews from Russia and the surrounding countries entered the United States. In return for the blessings of liberty and peace which the United States offered them, they have added to the knowledge, beauty, and riches of American life.

BY THE TIME Hitler began his oppression of the Jews, America had strict immigration laws which permitted only a small number of Europeans to come here each year. Only a few Jewish people were able to escape to America, and most of our people were caught in the web of persecution and death.

Now the one hope of those who are left is to go to Palestine.

But until the day comes when their hope is fulfilled, and they find a land of refuge, it is up to us more fortunate ones to answer their SOS with everything we can give to make their lives more comfortable.

Can you think of any treat that will give you greater pleasure than to know that a boy or girl in Europe is enjoying this day because of a gift that you gave.

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DEBORAH AND BARAK, WE'RE READY!

ON THE LONG MARCH, DEBORAH AND BARAK HALT THEIR ARMIES ON THE PLAIN OF ZAAANAIM.  
THE HEAT IS CRUEL—IT MUST BE ALMOST MIDDAY!  
DOWN THE VALLEY IS A DWELLING. WHEN WE REACH THAT TENT, WE WILL HALT TO REST!

THEY REST AT THE TENT OF WEBER, THE KENITE, AS Jael, WEBER'S WIFE, TALKS LONG WITH DEBORAH, THE WOMAN JUDGE—  
I, TOO AM OF KIN TO MOSES—I WISH I WERE A GREAT WOMAN LIKE YOU, TO HELP OUR ARMIES WIN!  
EVERYONE CAN DO HIS PART—PERHAPS YOU, TOO, Jael, WILL HELP US TO VICTORY!

MEANTIME SISERA'S SCOUT REPORTS THAT THE HEBREWS ARE MARCHING  
PUFF PUFF—GENERAL!—BARAK HAS TEN THOUSAND HEBREWS AT MOUNT TABOR!—I'VE RUN ALL THE WAY TO TELL YOU!  
WHAT! HOW DARE THEY! I'LL SMASH THEM FOREVER!

MAKE READY MY 900 CHARIOTS!—CRUSH THE HEBREWS UNDER IRON BATTLE-WAGONS!—I'LL TEACH THEM TO DARE TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM!  
BUT, LONG BEFORE DAWN...

MEANTIME SISERA'S ARMIES MARCHED, SEARCHING FOR THE FORCES OF BARAK—  
I MUST MAKE SURE WHERE THEY ARE—CAPTURE THOSE SHEPHERDS—WE'LL MAKE THEM TELL WHERE BARAK MARCHED!

ANOTHER FIFTY LASHES MEN!—THEY, SHEPHERDS, PERHAPS YOU'LL TALK!  
NO MORE, NO MORE! I'LL TELL! THEY MARCHED TO MOUNT TABOR, BOTH GENERAL BARAK AND THE WOMAN JUDGE!

SISERA AND HIS ARMY REACH THE MOUNTAIN AT DUSK—  
SURROUND THE MOUNTAIN SO THEY DON'T ESCAPE IN THE DARK... IN THE MORNING WE'LL DESTROY THEM! IT IS GROWING LATE!

UP, BARAK! FOR THIS IS THE DAY WHEN THE LORD WILL DELIVER SISERA INTO OUR HANDS!  
THE STARS IN THEIR COURSES FIGHT AGAINST SISERA!

WE START! ISRAEL AND VICTORY TODAY!  
YES—WE ADVANCE AT ONCE!  
NEXT WEEK: SISERA IS DEFEATED!

## What Foods These Morsels Be

LEAH W. LEONARD

WITH spring just around the corner, how about bringing it indoors via the kitchen? One good way is to use some of the tempting pink stalks of rhubarb one sees in the markets. There are several ways of using this delicious spring fruit in addition to the customary stewed rhubarb or rhubarb pie. By the way, rhubarb has another name. It is called Pie Plant, especially in New England, where Rhubarb is a tradition.

These days when the oven is being used for many purposes, you'll find the following recipes especially convenient to say nothing of their delightful novelty. And you'll please notice that they're easy on the sugar, too.

### Rhubarb Pudding

1 lb. rhubarb, sliced without peeling; ¼ teaspoon salt, 1¼ cups crumbled vanilla wafers, 10 whole vanilla wafers, ¾ cup water, 8 tablespoons strawberry jam, 2 egg whites.

Line a well greased baking dish with one-third of the crumbled vanilla wafers. Add half the rhubarb evenly across the bottom, sprinkle lightly with salt and dot with one-third of the jam. Cover with a layer of wafer crumbs and stand the whole wafers around the side of dish. Add another layer of rhubarb, sprinkle lightly with salt and dot with jam, reserving about 2 tablespoons of jam for the topping. Sprinkle the remaining wafer crumbs evenly across the top and add the cold water a spoonful at a time in various parts of the pudding, being careful not to moisten the sides. Bake at 350° F for 40 to 50 minutes. When cold and just before serving, beat egg whites stiff and fold in the remaining jam. Spread the meringue over the top of pudding or put it on in a swirl and return to a hot oven for 10 minutes.

### Scalloped Rhubarb

1 lb. rhubarb, sliced without peeling; 6 tablespoons honey or corn syrup, 10 small salted crackers, crushed, ¾ cup water.

Grease generously a baking dish and sprinkle with crushed cracker crumbs. Cover with about half the cut rhubarb and drizzle half the amount of honey over as evenly as possible. Cover with a layer of crumbs, a layer of rhubarb and repeat the process. Add the water by spoonfuls, drizzle on the rest of the honey and top with crumbs. Bake at 350° F 45 minutes or till nicely browned on top. Serve hot with meat or poultry.

### Rhubarb and Strawberry Treat

1 lb. rhubarb, sliced unpeeled; ¼ cup cold water, ¾ cup granulated sugar or equal parts sugar and corn syrup, 1 pint hulled strawberries, cut in halves.

Wash and cut rhubarb into inch pieces without peeling. Add water and cook, covered, over a low heat for 10 minutes, or till tender enough to pierce with a toothpick. Add sweetening and cook uncovered one minute longer. Add the cut strawberries, cover and remove from heat. Turn into individual serving dishes and chill. Top with a whole strawberry before serving. Serves six.

## Don't Blame Jews Today for Death Of Christ, Vote of Catholic Pupils

**CINCINNATI**—The Very Rev. Msgr. Carl J. Ryan, superintendent of parochial schools in the Catholic Archdiocese of Cincinnati, disturbed by rumors that anti-Semitic feelings were being engendered by the teaching that Jews were somewhat responsible for the death of Jesus Christ, decided to find out what eighth grade pupils in his schools thought about it.

Monsignor Ryan drafted a list of questions to be put to these pupils in the 38 schools, all of the questions based on the Passion and death of Christ and were asked during the most significant period of the year—Holy Week. The first nine questions dealt with facts such as the reason for Christ's suffering and death, but the principal question was:

"Should the Jews today be blamed for what the Jews in Christ's day did to him?"

In sending out the questions, Monsignor Ryan was careful to ask the teachers not to "call specific attention to this question."

A total of 877 pupils were asked the question and, to the surprise of all, only one out of 20 replied

affirmatively. As a matter of fact, 15 of the schools reported that not one child had said "yes" to it. A noteworthy fact which was brought out was that one of these schools is in a neighborhood inhabited largely by Jews.

### Connie's Famous Coat Taken Off Her Back

**PHILADELPHIA, Pa.**—Mrs. Lessing J. Rosenwald has a nominee for the world's meanest thief. It's the person who stole the unique coat of many colors from "Constant Connie." It was taken from Connie's shapely back as she stood in the United Service Club.

Connie didn't protest because she is a wax dummy, although she is the favorite of all the service men who met her since her debut last April.

Called "Constant Connie" because she is true to all the boys, she wore a battle jacket on which were pinned or sewn the symbols of her allegiance—countless insignia of rank and colorful patches denoting divisions, regiments, battalions and other outfits.

The jacket was stolen after a dance held last week. Mrs. Rosenwald, chairman of the house committee, held off reporting the theft hoping that the jacket would turn up. When it didn't she called the police.

## YOUR NAME

By N. PEARLROTH

If you want the derivation of your name traced and explained, write to Mr. Pearlroth, The Jewish Post, Box 1633, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Pearlroth:

I enjoy your most interesting column and would appreciate your answer on the origin and history of my maiden name. It was Feinberg. Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours truly,  
MRS. ALICE DOLBER.  
Bronx, N. Y.

Feinberg

Your name means "Vineyard" and in modern German is spelled Weinberg. It is derived from the name of the town of Weinberg in Silesia.

In the older Jewish writing, an "F" was used instead of V or W, and vice versa. Hence the curious spelling of your name with an "F." There are many Jewish names in which this happened. The misspelled initial indicates that the name is more than 200 years old.

Dear Mr. Pearlroth:

Please tell me the origin of my name: Frieda Goodman or (Gutman).

My folks are originally from Poland. Thank you.

FRIEDA GOODMAN.  
1113 Ward Ave.  
Bronx 59, N. Y.

Goodman

This is the Jewish name "Gutman" anglicised.

Gutman is a Jewish translation of the Hebrew name "Tobias."

When the Jews in Europe were ordered to assume family names, they were forbidden to use Hebrew names for that purpose.

But some were so attached to the names of their fathers, that they adopted as family names the translation of their fathers' Hebrew names. The translation of Tobias is approximately "a good man."

The only neighboring country Hitler never thought of attacking, was the little country of Liechtenstein, which is an independent Duchy with a population of 11,000 and a territory of 75 square miles. It is a curious fact that while the Hitler terror was at its worst, there was a Jewish princess reigning over Liechtenstein. Her maiden name had been Gutman, the daughter of a very rich Jewish family in Austria.

### Abandon Hate of Jews Or No Aid, Germans Told

World Wide News Service

**WEISBADEN**—The German people were warned that if they expect food and other assistance from the United States they must abandon all Nazi ideologies, including anti-Semitism, by Col. James Newman, military governor of the Greater District. Col. Newman said the American Military Government is continuing its policy of extending preferential treatment to Jews and other victims of Nazism and the AMG was doing all its could to impress the German people that Nazi victims were entitled to special consideration.

He pointed out that "the AMG and the German Government cannot undo in not quite a year's time what the very effective Nazi propaganda machine did in twelve years."

The Palestine Government has announced the allocation of 1,600 immigration certificates for the

## I Think as I Please

By CARL ALPERT

### An Easy Road to Organic Assimilation

**A**N Anglo-Jewish weekly in one of the country's larger cities recently announced the appointment of a director at the local Jewish Center:

"A native New Yorker, Mr. — brings to his position a rich and varied experience in the field of recreation. Until recently he had served with the American Red Cross as a club director for over two years in charge of Red Cross Clubs in England, Alsace Lorraine in France and Luxemburg. Mr. — is a graduate of the New York School of Social Work, a graduate division of Columbia University. He received his undergraduate training at Brooklyn College and is a member of the New York state bar." Final qualifications listed his work as supervisor and director of activities at a couple of neighborhood houses.

The gentleman may have a splendid personality, he may have a most amiable disposition, he may be learned in all the techniques of modern progressive group work, he may be possessed of unusual talents, skills and abilities, but there does not appear to be an iota of either training or experience which would qualify him especially for work at a Jewish Center. He could with equal ease have become a Y. M. C. A. director or a Boy Scout executive. And he is typical of numbers of the men now entering the field of Jewish group activity.

**AS WE HAVE HAD OCCASION** to point out in this column before, there are many scores of persons whose work with the USO and similar wartime bodies, in a professional capacity, will lead them, via the Jewish Welfare Board, into peacetime professional Jewish work, despite their lack of qualifications. The grave danger of permitting men with no Jewish training, no understanding or appreciation of Jewish values, to become the directors of activities which are essentially Jewish may easily be recognized. Indeed, the danger is a very real one, for the absence of specific Jewish interests may imply a hostility to those values and those ideals which the Jewish people have cherished and which help preserve the unique richness of Jewish life in this country.

The fault lies with two elements. If this column has in the past been severe with the J. W. B. for its persistent efforts to place unqualified and inadequately trained, Jewishly speaking, personnel, it should be acknowledged here and now that even this agency has been the victim of these two elements.

**FIRST**, the leadership of the Jewish community, the heads of the synagogues, fraternal organizations, educational, Zionist and philanthropic groups have not set sufficiently high Jewish standards for their professional direction. Executive functionaries have been engaged often almost exclusively on the basis of a degree in social work. Unless the community leaders are prepared to demand a positive Jewish background of some sort in such personnel, we shall see the direction of our institutions and agencies continue to fall into the hands of people who cannot lead or direct or guide Jewish life intelligently or sympathetically.

The second fault must be placed at the door of the young Jew who possesses the necessary requisites, but who enters another vocation entirely. The reasons for this choice have been discussed before: insufficient remuneration; lack of permanence and security; unpleasant relations with many "bosses." While these are very true, and constitute heart-breaking and discouraging deterrents, there is a compensating satisfaction from the consecration of one's self to a devoted life of service to one's people.

**YOUNG PEOPLE** should be encouraged to prepare for careers of professional service, with adequate training. There is no uniform or standard set of requirements. Graduates of the Yeshiva College, of the Teachers' Institute at the J. T. S., of a Folk-Schule, even of the high school department at a progressive Reform Sunday School, each may find his place in organized Jewish life, where his personal sympathies may lie, but at least he will have had the advantage of a Jewish education, to some degree, fitting him for the problems of his vocation, whether as director of a Jewish center, a community council, or a family welfare association. In each of these the cold, secular training in psychology, sociology and economics is not enough to meet the needs of the Jewish community.

Those who engage such personnel, then, must begin to emphasize the need for preparation along Jewish lines, must offer the necessary incentives, and must encourage able young boys and girls to embark upon such careers. Otherwise our entire structure of organized Jewish life in this country will melt away into a colorless pattern, indistinguishable from similar institutions and agencies maintained by non-Jews. We shall be confronted with organic assimilation, brought on by directional anemia.

### French President, Others, at Zionist Meet

**Jewish World News Service**  
**PARIS**—The President of the French Republic, Gouen, the President of the Spanish Exile government, Ambassadors and a number of other important French government officials were present at the opening of a three day conference of the French Zionists which was held here in the largest hall of the city.

period March 15-April 15. Of these, 1,500 will be assigned to Jews and 100 to non-Jews.

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## Our Film Folks of HOLLYWOOD

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By LEON GUTTERMAN

### HOLLYWOOD—

**P**AUL LUKAS' current role in "Deadline at Dawn" is probably the first instance of perfect type casting the actor has experienced during his entire motion picture career. Those who know him best tell me that the personality of the cab driver he portrays in his starring role closely parallels his own. The cab driver is a philosopher, a humorist and a patient man who does not become upset by the actions of the people with whom he rubs elbows. He is a naturalized citizen who knows and appreciates the country of his adoption.

A seventy-nine-year-old woman the other day sent a request to Eddie Cantor for tickets as she was anxious to see the program before entering a hospital to undergo a serious operation. Eddie, touched by her plea and pleased to have such an ardent admirer, sent the tickets back by special messenger. After the program, the tottering woman accompanied by her grateful son, visited Cantor in his dressing room. "Mr. Cantor, now I don't care what happens to me," the old lady said in a quavering voice. "For years I've wanted to see the Mad Russian."

St. Brendan's Roman Catholic Boys' Choir this week recorded the Hebrew chant, "Ahavas Olom," for the synagogue scene with Larry Parks (who plays the role of Al Jolson) in "The Jolson Story" at Columbia studios. Jewish musicians said the boys' pronunciation of the Hebrew words was perfect!

They're telling the story about the Jewish studio producer who got his nephew a job in the script department. A few days later the department chief approached the producer and pleaded, "Why don't you make an actor out of him? He'll never be a writer!" To which the producer replied: "Oh, I couldn't, because if you think he can't write, you ought to see how he can't act!"

Albert Lewin, producer, this week cut twenty pages from the script by Albert Lewin, writer, for director Albert Lewin's forthcoming film, "Bel Ami." He reportedly suffered the usual writer's pangs when some of his best schemes hit the waste basket!

Producer-director-writer Ben Hecht has left Hollywood for New York, where he will discuss sales policies on his initial production for Republic Studios, "Spectre of the Rose," with the company's home office executives, after which he will go to his home in Nyack, N. Y., where he will spend five months. During that time he plans to write the screenplays for his next two pictures as well as his autobiography, which he will pen under the title, "A Child of the Century." "Spectre" is expected to go into Radio City Music Hall during Easter week.

Frank Loesser is writing four songs which Betty Hutton will introduce in "Perils of Pauline," lavish Paramount Technicolor picture based on the life of Pearl White, colorful queen of the early serials. Three of the songs are novelty numbers and the other is a ballad. This assignment is Frankie's first since his release from the Army, for which he wrote the widely hailed infantry marching song, "Roger Young." Incidentally, he is also the composer of the well-remembered "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition."

Harpo Marx was telling me about a certain agent famous for allowing friends to outfumble him for the dinner check. "I feel for the fellow," sympathized Harpo, "he has an impediment in his REACH."

## dot's line

By DOT MEYBERG

**H**OWDY FOLKS! Happened by the Federal Building and found several of our stars waiting their turn to talk with the Collector of Internal Revenue....

I wonder why. . . . Dave. W. Siegel is now an associate producer of note. He's casting for Charles R. Rogers who plans "Angel On My Shoulder" as one of the biggest pictures of the year. . . . Paul Muni is starred and Archie Mayo has the directing responsibility while Academy Award writer Harry Segall believes his own original story is tops. . . . And maybe it is!



**DOT**

**DOT'S DIARY.** Over to see the Paramount newsreel with Billy Wilder just "beaming" over his screenplay award. Out to 20th Century-Fox to see one of the most unusual pictures yet. . . . Lewis Milestone Productions, listing David Hersh as president, presented "A Walk in the Sun." . . . It's the tale of a battalion that landed in Italy during the war, their trials, their heartaches, their humor. It's a reminder to many who don't want to remember the tragedy behind the bravery of those boys of our who did such a good job to win the war. . . . There's no love interest, no women, no glamour—just the

"simple" story of a group of guys.

**THIS 'N' THAT.** Harry Cohn has by far the best postwar picture in "Gilda," which Columbia will present on the screen most any time now. . . . Mystery, international intrigue, love and hate, will keep you in such tension that you'll forget whether it was Churchill who made that speech or your maid telling you the grocery has butter. . . . These cycle pictures generally make money. . . . With "Spellbound" and "Leave Her to Heaven" following so closely together it is surprising that the box office receipts are soaring even when the pictures play the same city. . . . Isadore Naumoff, Yiddish writer of a local publication, passed away at the age of 65; during WWI he was most active in backing the Jewish Legion. . . . Danny Kaye headlined the Purim banquet and installation of the Western Jewish Institute the other night. . . . Remember the song "The Spaniard that blighted my life"? It has been incorporated in "the Jolson story" which isn't completed yet.

**CHATTER.** Sales of Edna Ferber's novel, "Saratoga Trunk," reported zooming since the screen story hit the theatres. . . . John Garfield appearing with academy winner Joan Crawford in "Humoresque," is taking her advice with recordings in his dressing room, to

get atmosphere for emotional scenes. . . . Paul Henreid's next picture will be "Deception," with Bette Davis, for whom he once lighted two cigarettes, remember? . . . Paul has had a fence built around his swimming pool to protect his two youngsters against the tragedy that already has struck too many Hollywood homes. He also has an electric alarm system installed. . . . Alexander Korda is in town and looking over the film situation. Says England is coming to the front with picture production. . . . "Oh Say Can You Sing" is a new Universal comedy which writer-producer Stanley Rubin will develop from Erna Lazarus' screen play.

**AND SO.** Sol Siegel, who decided to produce "Perils of Pauline" at Paramount, has thought up a novel idea when the picture gets under way. . . . Many of the old-time picture stars who were prominent before talkies, are being rounded up by Siegel, to appear in support of Betty Hutton. . . . Recall the old days when Billy Rose made Betty Hutton famous on the stage, but it seems a long time ago.

**LAST MINUTE.** Rabbi Maxwell Dubin doing a bit of research work, finding many cities throughout the country that are named after Jews. . . . Ever hear of Newmark, California? **SO LONG!**

## Families In Small New England Towns Ask For Aid From U. S. Jewry

By RUBY ZAGOREN

**J**ewish Post Staff Correspondent  
**HARTFORD, Conn.**—Jewish families, living in almost complete isolation from others of their faith in many of the country districts of New England, are faced with the problem of maintaining their religious identity, not only for themselves but also for their children. A survey of individual families facing this problem whose alternative is assimilation, shows that Jews caught in this social situation are acutely aware of the pitfalls.

"These Jewish families of the rural areas declare that they live in perfect harmony with their Christian neighbors. 'They invite us to their socials at their churches. They include us in their weekly sewing circles. When they sent packages to boys from the town in the service, they also included ours. As far as is possible, they try to make us one of them. They go out of their way to show us kindnesses. This is fine as far as the well being of the community goes, but for the solitary Jews, it means a greater danger of assimilation.'"

### No Chance to Attend Weekly Services

In these communities, there is little or no opportunity for the Jews to attend Sabbath services in any shul for the physical reason of distance and poor transportation, and sometimes for the reason that Orthodox shuls do not want attendants at their services to ride into town on the Sabbath. When this happens, Jewish young people, who feel a religious urge, will sometimes attend the Protestant service.

This interviewer was told of one girl, whose name must be withheld, who went to services in the Congregational Church of her community so often that she began to feel at home with the Christian religion. Having no knowledge or experience with the Jewish faith, other than holiday observances, she had almost reached the point where she wanted to become converted. Luckily, she went to a city to work just about that time and learning more about Judaism, learned to love it. She was a girl, sensitive, refined, who needed a religious outlet and took what was available.

### Worried About Inter-Marriage

This, however, is the exceptional case, it must be admitted. Most Jewish parents are mentally at ease about their children, until their youngsters reached the "eligible" age. Having only Christian companions, they often will make interfaith marriages.

The problem of families living in rural areas, they rightly feel, is not their problem alone. It should be faced by Jewish leaders everywhere, for Jewish children, bred in the country, often have an independence of thought, originality of thinking and a practical idealism that comes from their close association with nature. These children, if taught to love the Jewish history, folklore and religion, could become invaluable leaders of the future, and if not leaders, at least thinking men and women which is just as important as leadership.

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**RIO DE JANEIRO**—Voicing a demand for a constitutional guarantee prohibiting racial and religious discrimination, Senator Hamilton Nogueira of the United Democratic National Party has protested the restrictions against Jews and Negroes in Brazil's diplomatic service and military, naval, and aeronautical academies.

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## Jews in Sports

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By HASKELL COHEN



REMEMBER Izzy Weinstock? He used to hit the line for Jock Sutherland's Pitt Panther powerhouse elevens back in the early 1930's. Well Iz is out of the service now. Just got out after four years, and retired to civilian life as a captain. Izzy is one of the many boys who went to college on a football scholarship. Unlike many former football greats, Weinstock isn't seeking a grid job. He could have several coaching jobs, all he has to do is snap his fingers and the jobs would be offered for the picking. Iz is through with football. He is ready for the business world. When Uncle Sam called, Isadore was building up an insurance business in Pittsburgh. It was tough going but he had a broker's license and appeared headed in the right direction when the Japs decided to sneak tackle Pearl Harbor. Right now Weinstock doesn't know whether or not he wants to return to the insurance game—he can do several things.

It is surprising to learn, contrary to popular belief, that Pitt football players weren't on any payrolls during the Golden Era of Sutherland coaching. A few minutes with Weinstock dispels that idea. Izzy gets quite a kick telling how meagre the rewards were at Pitt. After a tough game at West Point the boys had several hours in New York City. The Pitt management wanted the kids to have a good time so it broke down and gave each player a dollar to see the sights of Broadway. On the trip to play in the Rose Bowl the players were again rewarded one dollar bonuses for spending money. Some fun, eh, playing big time football.

If Billy Conn should ever win the heavyweight title he can thank Izzy Weinstock. Sounds far fetched but it's true. Every one knows Billy needs his manager Johnny Ray like he needs his nimble feet. Well, Johnny is in the land of living because of Weinstock's blood. It happened just before Billy was to fight Solly Krieger in Pittsburgh. Johnny was felled by a heart attack. The medicos said he was in bad shape. A blood transfusion was the only ticket. Billy couldn't give blood as he had the fight coming up. Shmully Goldstein, a close friend of Ray's, rushed into his brother's restaurant on Fifth Avenue in Pittsburgh looking for a blood donor. He spied Weinstock and told him of the plight Ray was in at that moment. Izzy didn't ask questions, he rushed to the hospital and was found to have the proper type blood. After the nurse extracted a pint she inquired, "Do you mind if I take a little more, he needs it badly." Izzy merely nodded assent. After all Ray was dying, what difference did another drop or two mean to a hard-hitting fullback from Pitt.

**SPEAKING OF BILLY CONN** we are reminded that Manny Seaman is at West Baden, Ind., training Joe Louis. Manny took over after Jack Blackburn passed away. Joe thinks highly of Manny's ability and says that Blackburn sort of pointed the Jewish lad out as his successor.

When Joe became champ he found it hard to get sparring partners. That is, real tough boys who would slug with him. In desperation the Louis Camp turned to Seaman, a retired trainer. Manny used to condition Benny Leonard, but gave up the game when his butter and egg business began to flourish. At first Manny merely dug up Joe's sparring partners. They were the best crop ever, eventually Manny was asked to work in Joe's corner and when Blackburn passed away took over as Louis' training chief.

Manny is a great story teller who can go on for hours with tales of the "Golden Days." One day, before the Louis-Nova fight, Manny drove us back from Joe's camp and regaled us with stories about Leonard, Tunney and the big shots of Tex Rickard's day. In the bargain he started to race. Babe Ruth was driving his super-charger in back of us and was waving us on to race him. At one point in the trip Manny became so engrossed in his narration that he almost piled us up against a car creeping along very slowly in front of us. He's a great guy but Heaven protect us against another motor trip with him. An unusual angle to the Louis-Conn bout is that both battlers will be handled by Jews. Conn can't move without Ray, while Louis is placing great faith in Seaman.

**THE TWO MAXES**, Baer and Rosenbloom, were introduced at the Garden last week. These two zanies open this week in a New York night club and, if they go over big, may open their own club. As Maxie Rosenbloom started to walk up the Garden ring stairs, Baer grabbed his arm and helped him up, indicating Slapsie Maxie was old and decrepit. They say these two are always squabbling over their billing, each claiming he is the star of the show. At times their arguments wax furious, so that others in the troupe fear the boys will start swinging at each other. If they do, ring-siders will see a better battle than one witnesses today in most arenas.

Rosenbloom was one of the best boxers of all light-heavy-weight history. He never trained, but still managed to beat everyone around. His idea of preparing for a bout was a tour of Broadway hot spots, a Turkish bath and a haircut. At that he was much better than his foe whom he would cuff with open mitts until he amassed so many points he could clown the rest of the route. Maxie the Rose was an actor first and a fighter second. His motto was "Please the public no matter how you do it." If he had to clown, he clowned; if his opponent was tough, he fought. At all times Maxie was in there giving 100 per cent for the public.

**NOTE:** In next week's column we will publish the Jewish All-American intercollegiate basketball team of 1946. The selections are based on a nation-wide poll of coaches which has just been completed by the JTA.

Chic Feldman of Scranton is a member of the Eastern Baseball League writers board of directors. He's sports editor of the Scranton newspaper.

## Shorts

Harry Feldman of the Giants is a pitcher, but in a recent practice game against the Dodgers he made one of the longest hits in the history of the field by knocking the ball over the center field fence.

Allie Stoltz, Newark light-weight boxer, was married in New York recently to Miss Yvonne Weinburg of Scranton, Pa. His hand was still bandaged as a result of a recent scrap with Willie Joyce.

Ex-Marine Artie Levine scored a technical knockout over Jimmy Doyle of Los Angeles in their bout in Cleveland. The end came in the ninth round. Doyle was sent to the hospital for observation.

Herman Fink, who last pitched for Elmira in the Eastern League, was recently given his unconditional release.

Sol Fleischman, chief announcer for WDOE in Tampa, Fla., prior to his call to the Coast Guard, is back on the job after an absence of three years. He's doing a daily program from the Cincinnati Reds' training camp in Tampa. Gabe Paul, traveling secretary for the Reds and an ex-newspaperman, is assisting Sol. Paul, a well known member of the Cincinnati Jewish community, is also an ex-serviceman.

Phil Goldsmith, the sports goods manufacturer, is touring the major league training camps.

Al Schacht's "Second Guesser" closed after a two-weeks run in Chicago. However, he hasn't given up and will try to improve the production before presenting it again. He'll take the play to Milwaukee, Detroit and Buffalo, hoping eventually to hit Broadway.

Andy Cohen, former N. Y. Giants player, is one of the latest Americans to support the Mexican baseball program. Cohen, manager of the El Paso club of the Mexican National League, said many American teams would be invited to train in Mexico next season. He will make an effort to seek fullest cooperation for the Mexicans at the minor league meeting in December.

**Chapter No. 30 of Milwaukee won the regional AZA basketball title, defeating Witt, also of Milwaukee, 44-27, in the deciding game.**

The Chicago Cardinals' football team has signed Julian Mark of Tufts, as tackle. Phil Handler, who handled the Cardinals while Jimmy Counzelman was in service, is still a member of the coaching staff.

The Chicago Hakoahs defeated the Slovaks, 4-1, in the finale of the Illinois National Amateur Soccer Cup competition and thus earned the right to meet the Wisconsin champion.

Winning 10 straight games, the Gilead B'nai B'rith won the Milwaukee Jewish Center Veterans basketball championship by defeating the YMHA five, 49-39.

Leo Merson, former basketball sharpshooter of the crack 1936 Long Island University basketball quintet, is now arranging professional basketball games throughout New England states, where the money-chasing game has fast become a favorite among sports fans. Until recently, Leo was assigned to the Sheepshead Bay Maritime Training Station where he served as athletic officer.



### Honeymoon a La Spring Training

Florida's sunshine forms the backdrop for honeymooners Hank Greenberg and his bride, the former Carol Gimbel, daughter of the Bernard Gimbels of the department store clan. Highest paid baseball player (\$60,000) of the year, Hank is undergoing spring training with Detroit Tigers in Lakeland.

## FIRST ANNUAL JEWISH SPORTS FESTIVAL SET

**Special** NEW YORK—The First Annual Jewish Sports Festival under the chairmanship of Commander Benny Leonard, will take place on Saturday night, April 27, in the Armory, Park Avenue and 34th St., here under the auspices of the Hakoah Athletic Club, the Manhattan Zionist Region and the Maccabi Athletic Club.

### Jake Levy Readies Self for 25th Season

**Special** JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—A familiar figure about town for the past few months is now conspicuous by his absence. He's the popular and colorful Jake Levy, who has pulled up stakes and left for Portsmouth, Va., where he starts training for the Piedmont League season.

Jake, although 45, is starting his 25th season. He still has plenty of stuff on the ball and outsmarts the batters. He pitched the Portsmouth club into the playoffs last season, then won the finals for his club by beating Norfolk three times. Norfolk won the pennant and Portsmouth barely finished fourth but the former roly-poly spitball finger mastered the champs.

### B. B. Bowlers Win Kansas City Doubles

**Special** KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The first round of the Kansas City bowling tournament ended with two members of the B'nai B'rith leading the doubles competition. Elk Peltzman and Dave Gelhaar became the new leaders, hitting 1,137 scratch and with a handicap of 232 their 1,369 total put them out in front of the field.

Contests and races already arranged include basketball, judo—jui-jitsu, fencing, wrestling, tennis, table-tennis, soccer, sprints, etc., to highlight the evening's program.

The Advisory Council in formation consists of: Judge Benjamin Shalleck, Harry Markson, Joe Lapchesk, Barney Ain, Dan Parker, Bernard Sarachek, Leonard Cohen, Al Stein, Abraham R. Hurwitz and Mike Jacobs.

### Zipple Stars as Lafayette Wins Middle Atlantic

**Special** PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Marty Zippel, ex-Southern High star, was the big gun as Lafayette outclassed the Rutgers quintet, 52-39 last week to win the Middle Atlantic States tournament. Zippel was also instrumental in upsetting the Muhlenberg Mules in the preliminary round.

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### The Editor's Chair,

If Nelson D. Rockefeller gave the U. J. A. \$100,000, then you can expect announcement of other large gifts from wealthy non-Jews. For of a certain, the U. J. A. would not direct an appeal for funds merely to one non-Jew. It must be obvious therefore that a number of the richer men of the nation got the same appeal that went to Mr. Rockefeller. If no announcement is forthcoming then of other large gifts, you can take it for granted that the others did not respond to the plea.

If any sign of the growing maturity of the American Jewish community were needed, then it can be unerringly found in the many very profound, honest and courageous speeches and pronouncements of our American Jewish leaders and organizations of the past few years. There was a time, as any Jewish newspaperman can testify, when these speeches and documents were so utterly inane, and so obviously directed at not saying anything, that to read more than the first paragraph of any news release was to indicate no previous contact with organized Jewish life.

But now speeches and resolutions are so hard hitting, and contain so much straight speaking that any one of them almost would make more honest talk and writing than a full year's speeches five or ten years ago.

It used to be that the Reconstructionists were the only group where honest thoughts could be expressed and their magazine the only writing where thought-provoking material could be found. But today Rabbi Maurice Elsen-drath at the Union Biennial, or a small regional meeting somewhere in what used to be called the hinterlands, or even a letter to the Jewish Post, or the many debates held on Jewish platforms throughout the country, are just so full of a wealth of good, honest thinking that already an injustice is being done many of these thinkers because there is no Anglo-Jewish newspaper large enough to be able to print all they say that is worth printing.

Of course this straight speaking has played its part in providing the Anglo-Jewish press, when it is alert or when the syndicates are alert, with reading which people will pay for to get, but in the main it is this type of open analysis with concomitant discussion that will be responsible for the survival of a healthy Judaism in the United States.

A good many shibboleths, and a good many organizations which have lost their usefulness, are going to be engulfed if this streak of honesty persists. As it grows mature, the U. S. Jewish com-

munity is beginning to think for itself, and that thinking is leading to action.

The signs are just that obvious. Although the rabbinate when it finds itself on the pulpit hasn't seemed to have caught this spirit, it is bound to sooner or later, and when it does anything can happen.

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Dr. Abraham L. Sachar, whom you all know, is now a permanent resident of Miami Beach, where he has purchased a home.

### THE COLUMN WITHOUT A NAME

Membership in a Congregation should imply a religious obligation, not only to support financially the ideals of the Institution but also to assume a personal obligation in terms of religious practice everywhere.

We cannot emphasize too strongly that a man's affiliation with religion should be reflected in his business. His word should be at least as good as his bond.

We should discipline ourselves against making promises that are never intended to be kept. We are shocked from time to time when this or that man's name is mentioned as a member of a congregation and then we say in disgust, "Is that your religious man?"

It is shocking to note that people today are not concerned or upset about the wholesale backsliding from the Jewish religion, not to speak merely of our personal lives but even of our communal endeavors.

Membership in a Congregation—should bring with it religious responsibility.—West Side Institutional Review.

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### AD OF THE WEEK

**Wanted!! Jewish Educational Center must find two to four bedroom house now! We will lose our executive director if we do not locate home for his family. American Jewish World.**

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A survey made recently by The Jewish Post in cities over the country, indicates that the postwar upswing in synagogue attendance expected during the war years as a result of the "no atheists in fox-holes" legend, has not materialized. Some rabbis report that a slight increase may be noted but are doubtful of its permanence and suspect that "return to religion" is not the prime cause.

Here in our own city, the woe of absence of faces of returned veterans at religious services is indeed disheartening, to say the least. When these young men faced danger and death on the far-flung battlefields, they undoubtedly turned to prayer and the solace that religion has to offer. But now that he uncertainties of war seem to have vanished, the religious interest of our returned warriors has disappeared as well.

Elsewhere in this paper there is a reminder for all ex-GIs and their wives, of the free memberships and other benefits offered to them. We sincerely hope that these young men and women will take full advantage, and resolve to attend services, and other synagogue functions regularly.—Theodath Achim Altoona.

### An Attempt To Muzzle Free Expression

WHAT is nothing more than a left-handed attempt to throttle free expression, and from a source which should be leading the fight for freedom of expression, is contained in an editorial in The Intermountain Jewish News of Denver, Colo., attacking the Synagogue Council of America for opposing peacetime conscription.

The editorial does not answer the arguments of the Synagogue Council, but rather attacks the Council, declaring that that body "is in no way representative of the rabbis or laymen." Pointing out that there are differences of opinion on the question of peacetime military training, the editorial declares that "The Synagogue Council gives the erroneous impression by all its releases on political issues that it is the spokesman for the American Jewish community. This is extremely dangerous. The Synagogue Council should not claim to speak for all congregations on any controversial matter unless an all-inclusive vote is taken and agreement reached."

The Synagogue Council, made up of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, the Rabbinical Council of America, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the United Synagogue of America and the Rabbinical Assembly of America, does not claim

to speak for all congregations. Its make-up and its history are well known in the American Jewish community and it has done an excellent job, especially in the past few years, as the spokesman in matters which come under its purview in which the Jewish viewpoint needs expression.

If the condition set forth by The Jewish News were to be followed by all Jewish organizations which claim to speak for American Jewry, then indeed would we have a utopia. When the Jewish News asks the Zionist Organization of America, or the B'nai B'rith to conduct referendums when they speak in the name of American Jewry, or even in the name of their constituents, then their demand on the Synagogue Council will come with more grace and consistency.

The statements issued by the Synagogue Council are often on controversial issues (otherwise why make them) and as such any Anglo-Jewish paper has a right to take issue with them, but to try to say that the Synagogue Council cannot speak on a subject because some ignorant persons might claim the body was trying to misrepresent, is nothing short of an attempt to muzzle that organization—in the same way that many affluent members of congregations often try to muzzle the pulpit.

### This Really Can Mean Something

A STEP which is likely to prove one of the most effective of any ever taken by the Jewish group, and which probably will be ignored when the time comes for analysis of the change which this step very likely will bring about, is that represented in the announcement of the Ner Tamid Scout Award by the Jewish Committee on Scouting.

Although it seems at first glance to be nothing more than an insignificant addition to a minor movement in Jewish life actually this Ner Tamid Award, if it is properly appreciated, can partly fill the hole that Jewish educators have been trying to fill, mostly with their tears, in the Jewish education system after Bar Mitzvah and until manhood.

This tie-up of scouting and Judaism can be

invaluable. The acceptance long ago achieved by scouting, and not as yet achieved by Judaism as far as Jewish youth is concerned, very likely may be accomplished by this Ner Tamid Award. The requirements for winning the award fill about six pages in the pamphlet announcing it, but so revealing are they that The Post hopes to print them in the near future when space will allow.

There is an obligation, however, on the part of the Jewish community, and that is that it must give proper respect to the award, and certainly if nothing more, give the same acceptance to the award that it does now to not only merit badges, but even to the concept of a Life, or Star or perhaps an Eagle Scout.

### Current Comment

**Jews Must Aid Negroes Actively Says Florence F. Cohen, Editor of The Canadian Jewish Review in Discussing Article by Prof Kenneth B. Clark** — Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman, a former leader of Holy Blossom Temple in Toronto, and now of Temple Israel, in St. Louis, Missouri, where there are many Negroes, was present for a few hours and brought his praise-worthy common sense and understanding to bear on the discussion by trying to get the group to include among the injustices suffered by the Negroes a statement about anti-Negro practices in Jewish hospitals and some department stores. He was in favor of the Jews departing enough from prevailing discrimination to appeal to Jewish hospitals to admit Negroes as patients and staff members. There was discussion and talk around it but in the end, after Rabbi Isserman left, it was felt by the group that it was not justified in singling out Jewish institutions. Its members showed that they were well-intentioned but unable to free themselves from American attitudes toward the Negro, and so avoided the practical issue.

Dr. Clark points out as an elemental point that mere generalities, highly charged with moralizing sentimentality, cannot bring about desired social changes nor can the problems of the Jew and the Negro be dealt with by mere words. First the facts are needed and then concrete action. Bemoaning and deploring the facts, denying them, ignoring them, or accepting them, that is, assuming that not much can be done about them, are not a solution. There is a need for an objective analysis of the active factors to form a program for improvement.

Anti-Semitism in a Negro, says Dr. Clark, may offer a pretext for the release of aggressions that come from the insecurity and humiliation of his status, and it may put into words his feelings about whites in general. It may be a way of identifying himself with the non-Jewish white group. It may help him to feel an inner group security. With the Jews and their attitude toward the Negro there is a conflict between the desire to keep apart from a group that appears to be even more despised than their own, and the tendency to cooperate with persons of another insecure group. Anti-Negro attitudes among Jews appear to offer a basis for identification with the

dominant white Gentile, and a protective covering to escape the full impact of anti-Semitism, so that the status of Southern Jews is more secure than that of Jews where Negroes form a smaller proportion of the population and where there is less active anti-Negro feeling.

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**Parents Shifting Responsibility to Institutions Other Than Home, Writes Rabbi Albert J. Gordon, in The Adath Jeshurun Clarion, of Minneapolis.**—One of the major vices of parents today is the tendency to shift the responsibility for our children and their welfare to institutions other than the home, where it rightfully should belong. We are prone to expect our public schools, our synagogues, our Boy and Girl Scout Organizations, and other such institutions to assume the responsibilities that are rightfully ours as parents. We think that synagogues can in themselves make good Jews out of our children. We believe that the public schools can give our children those qualities of character and standards of citizenship that we desire. At best it seems to me these, our institutions, religious, cultural and social can only supplement the work of the father and the mother in the home and can never substitute for them.

I am calling this matter to the attention of you, the parents of the children in our Religious School and Talmud Torah classes, because I feel that it is important to remind you that the pattern for Jewish living must be established within the home. We can talk all we wish about the beauties of Jewish ceremonialism, about the sanctity of the Sabbath, the reverential spirit that results from worship in the synagogue, but unless the child will know that his parents are actually accepting these self-same standards and living by them, no child will be too ready to accept them or to find in them the beauty and the meaning that Judaism ascribes to them.

We parents must give serious consideration to this problem and we must act upon the results of our thinking. Either we, the elders, shall walk with our children or they will not only walk their own way, but actually go away from us. Let us as parents recognize our responsibilities. We and we alone can set the pattern for the kind of life we desire for our children.



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### SAYS CIVIC DEFENSIVE AGENCIES FAILED IN THREE CASES IN NEW YORK CITY

Editor, The Jewish Post:

In your coverage of The American Jewish Conference convention in Cleveland it was pointed out that several national organizations active in anti-defamation work are unwilling to cede their "sovereignty" in this matter to the Conference. As a native New Yorker and as a Jew, I find this step imperative, for all of these organizations, collectively or individually, have failed to demonstrate any real leadership, especially during the last few weeks when several anti-Semitic manifestations have come under the public's scrutiny.

First, there is the May Quinn case. No real protest was evoked until after the Board of Education decided to exonerate her almost in entirety. Rather than taking the initiative, these organizations were content to let local groups, banded together only for this purpose and whose resources are limited, bear the brunt of the counter-attack. Now that practically all legal doors have been barred (and for all practical purposes they are barred) these organizations, spurred on by the efforts of the local citizenry, both Jewish and Gentile, have added their voices to the general clamor.

Miss Quinn was prosecuted by a lawyer who had no previous trial experience. Two of the three committee members conducting the trial seemed to minimize the consequences of the affair, and only after sharp protests by labor and other civic-minded organizations was some very pertinent evidence admitted to the record. Not one genuine protest was raised when Miss Quinn's lawyer (supported by Father Edward Lodge Curran, the prominent Coughlinite, the Fordham University Alumni Association, etc.) asked teen-agers such

irrelevant but pointed questions as "Isn't it true that most Jews are Communists?"

The attitude of the five Board members who voted for her acquittal was that the matter was insignificant. What they have done in effect is to sanction similar actions in the school system by teachers of Miss Quinn's ilk, of whom there are several more in the city school system. The one count on which she was found guilty should have been enough to disqualify her from the school system. Her guilt was clearly demonstrated in Mr. James Marshall's minority report. Miss Quinn was fined two months salary on the one count on which she was found guilty. She was suspended four months, the net result being that she was paid for two months that she did not work. To add insult to injury, Miss Quinn was simply sent to another school in the same district. The mothers picketing her new school have been the target of refuse hurled at them from passing automobiles.

Following this incident, Mayor O'Dwyer appointed George S. Timone, at one time a Christian Front (Mr. Timone denied he ever had any connection with the Christian Front—Editor), to the Board of Education. In spite of requests by liberal groups for the appointment of a Negro, Mayor O'Dwyer felt obligated to appoint a Catholic. He selected Mr. Timone from a list of eight people submitted by the New York Archdiocese and Cardinal Spellman. . . .

But the real point is not the issue of a personality. . . . The point at issue is the introduction of a man's religion as one of the cardinal requisites for a public office. Surely Mr. O'Dwyer wasn't elected for that purpose!

Even Mr. O'Dwyer himself would assert in public that a man should be judged solely by his qualifications (and perhaps by his party allegiance) and not by his religious creed. . . .

I am quite sure that the Mayor does not consult with leaders of other religious denominations, when he appoints a non-Catholic to a position of responsibility.

Exhibit three is directed at the Anti-Defamation League. Although your paper did carry a denunciation of the ADL in Chicago, no mention was made of New York City, where the ADL has come to a private agreement with Mr. Joseph Patterson, publisher of The Daily News. I attended a public rally of the B'nai B'rith chapter of Boro Park, where a vice-president of the ADL vowed a fight to the finish against The News—the finish being a public apology. The battle against this tabloid had been joined a long time before the ADL screwed up the courage to take a hand.

In spite of their promises, the local bigwigs of the ADL have come to terms with Patterson—without that public apology—and have appealed to the public to give The News an opportunity to prove its honorable intentions toward the Jews. The Jews as a people—and not all Jews belong to the B'nai B'rith—were insulted publicly in the largest circulating newspaper in the country, and as such the ADL had no moral rights to make peace with The News on any terms short of unconditional surrender. Fortunately, some liberal-minded groups are still continuing the battle against the Patterson chain as they realistically realize that there must be a complete reversal of editorial form on Mr. Patterson's part, if his good intentions about Jews are also to be judged sincere.

Even if these organizations were doing good work in the fields of anti-defamation, I could see no reason why they couldn't unite and work together under a central leadership. As it is, their work consists of spending huge sums of money to appease incurable bigots. The time has arrived for them to stop thinking of

### SAYS U. S. JEWRY RESTLESS, RAPS ORGANIZATIONS, NEW BODY SEEN

Editor, The Jewish Post,

February 27, 1946

I read with considerable interest and agreement your editorial on "Historic Milestones in Reform Judaism."

If I may take a special privilege, I would like to change a little your headline and some of the wording in your editorial as it pertains to the general American Jewish scene. The headline might well read "Historic Milestones in Judaism," and the beginning of your article might well be changed to read, "A real revolution in Judaism occurred in Cincinnati," and then farther on, to use your exact words, "We now see another demonstration of the wholesomeness of democratic discussion."

I point out these things to you because of my recent meetings with you in Detroit and Cleveland when your expressed attitude seemed to be in contradiction to your currently expressed sentiments.

You will recall in Detroit in your own words you were the only one in favor of "National Budgeting." You saw what occurred there. Then in your editorials you spoke pessimistically and disparagingly of the American Jewish Conference. You also saw what occurred there.

What I am trying to tell you is that the American Jewish community is becoming restless and it is being heard effectively as a result of its constant agitation for a new order in American Jewish life.

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I recently addressed to an executive of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, which suggests a means of bringing into actual being the over-all democratic body so fervently desired to coordinate the activities on the American Jewish scene. It is time that the established hierarchies referred to as "National Organizations" realize very soon that they must make themselves at least partially subservient to the will of the general Jewish community if they are to remain in existence.

I hope that my comments with the letter attached will induce you to agitate similarly for the continuance and increasing effectiveness of a body such as the American Jewish Conference to serve this necessary purpose in American Jewish life.

Sincerely yours,  
EMANUEL TEITELBAUM  
Johnstown, Pa.

### Approves Jewish Exile Government Here

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Last Sunday afternoon I attended a packed mass meeting at Cooper Union here sponsored by the "Organization Committee for a Jewish State." The main speaker was Dr. Morris Zucher, and from his talk I learned that he wishes to form an exile Jewish Government in the United States, similar to Poland, Holland, and other small nations during the war period when their countries were overrun by the forces of Hitler.

I believe his views are based upon common sense, as Palestine today is overrun by a government similar to Hitler. Therefore, those World Jews who desire to have a place soon on this earth should cooperate with him now one hundred per cent.

their own sovereignty—which is synonymous with "Kavod"—and think in the broader terms of doing real anti-defamation work on behalf of the Jewish people.

Sincerely,  
LOUIS BERNSTEIN.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. William Avrunin,  
Regional Director  
Council of Jewish Federations  
and Welfare Funds  
Chester-Twelfth Building  
Cleveland 14, Ohio

Dear Mr. Avrunin:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of February 20 and to thank you for the documents sent therewith which I had seen previously but which I had given away or mislaid.

With reference to the development of local Jewish community councils, I feel that in its own interest the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds should take not only more aggressive action, but very aggressive action, because I think it was evident at the American Jewish Conference that local leaders will continue to agitate for stronger organizational life and insist upon some over-all body in case the resolution pertaining to the future of the American Jewish Conference is not carried out in more than a perfunctory spirit. It seems that the council can perform a very worthwhile function in actively soliciting the creation of community councils wherever they do not exist, and while I understand that in many communities there are federations that perform some of the broader functions that are usually relegated to a community council, it is nevertheless the general impression that their primary concern is with fund raising and related activities.

I personally, have authorized certain individuals to use my name in case some sort of an organization is created to actively stimulate the growth of community councils, and unless the council gets the jump in such a proposed organization, you may have the creation of a body similar to the "COMMITTEE TO OPPOSE BUDGETING," which will agitate very actively in this regard. I think that it might be advisable for you to bring this matter to the attention of the new president, Mr. Myers and to Mr. Lurie so that something definite is done in this regard if they really are interested in having such community structures created.

With kindest personal regards,  
I am

Sincerely yours,  
EMANUEL TEITELBAUM

May the cry soon be heard at all happy events in Israel "Long live the Jewish people; long live the Jewish Republic of Palestine."

I remain

Your truly,  
HARRY GREENBERG

1568 Sterling Place  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

### Says No Conclusions Reached on J. W. V.

Editor, The Jewish Post

WE WISH TO CORRECT YOUR EDITORIAL ON CONFERENCE HELD BY FOUNDATION. NO CONCLUSIONS WERE REACHED AND NO RESOLUTIONS WERE PASSED AGAINST JOINING ANY JEWISH VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS. OPINIONS EXPRESSED ON JEWISH VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS WERE INDIVIDUAL AND NOT BY THE GROUP. NO ACTION ON POSITION OF VETERAN GROUP WAS TAKEN.

JEWISH RECONSTRUCTIONIST FOUNDATION

## BREACH BETWEEN CHAPLAINS AND RABBI CAN ASSUME SERIOUS PROPORTIONS

Editor, The Jewish Post,

In recent months the Anglo-Jewish press has carried a number of articles by Jewish Chaplains. The Chaplains, present and ex, the writer included, have satisfied the urge to write of their experiences. There is a pent-up dam of information which crowds the pen, so to speak.

Chaplains are invited to gather together at special conferences under the sponsorship of the Jewish Welfare Board. There, they are urged to talk and discuss—to give their views on sundry subjects. They propose to organize a separate Jewish Chaplains Conference which will include (it is presumed) Reform, Conservative and Orthodox ex-Chaplains. At the moment, the process of organization is in the preliminary stage but the urge is there. Chaplains as Chaplains have enjoyed a unique experience. Chaplains as Chaplains must have separate representation. Their pronouncements must be stamped with the seal of military service, etc.

It is not enough for ex-Chaplains to join with their colleagues in affixing signatures to Zionist pronouncements. There must be a separate and distinct grouping of army and navy Jewish Chaplains who will give the 100 per-cent answer to the "charges" of the anti-Zionists. It is not beyond the realm of pos-

sibility that two or three non-Zionist or anti-Zionist Chaplains will now sign a separate declaration of charges in answer to the counter-charges of their ex-colleagues in arms.

Naturally, this business can degenerate (if it has not already done so) to undignified and ludicrous procedure. If every Jewish issue is to be considered from the Rabbinical angle and then again from the ex-Chaplain angle, the breach between Rabbis and Chaplains will be widened. Actually, this condition begins to assume serious proportions.

Some of our ex-Chaplains assume an attitude of extreme self-righteousness. Several have written critical judgments against individual Rabbis who, for one reason or another, did not serve in the Chaplaincy. Such judgments were rendered as back-hand slaps against men with whom there was a difference of opinion. That is to say, the ex-Chaplains began by writing in answer to certain charges; they ended by attacking in terms of bitterness and venom the non-Chaplain Rabbis.

They overstep the boundaries of good taste. Certainly, they subvert every dictum of respect and decency which the Rabbinate and Judaism enjoin upon us.

It is a reckless and inexcusable thing to hold up to ridicule and disparagement a man or men who did not choose to enter the Chaplaincy. It is, first of all, beside the issue. If our belligerent ex-Chaplains feel that it is necessary to strike out—to indulge in polemics—to write manifestos and briefs, let them be guided by the rules of "derech eretz." The issue's the thing and it must not be confused with an attack upon the individual.

What must the Jewish laymen (kal vechomer the non-Jewish laymen) think when they read the reckless accusations against individual Rabbis? Do our modern Don Quixotes imagine that this slashing is of no more consequence than tilting against windmills. It is of much greater consequence, it is shameful. It is humiliating. It is degrading . . . and in the long run it doesn't hurt the Rabbis against whom it is directed so much as it hurts the Rabbinate. It cheapens our calling when Rabbi of the Reform branch, of the same college, resort to vulgar name calling and to the preferment of charges involving patriotism.

How odd that men who feel their patriotism is impugned by the utterances of certain Rabbis should resort to an identical procedure. Indeed, in the case of these ex-Chaplain Rabbi-baiters there is not the slightest doubt as to their intent. They do impugn the honesty and integrity of their colleagues. They are, in fact, assassins of character. They

do invoke patriotism as the cloak and shield from whose sheltering protection they call out names and dates and reminders to Rabbis who did not see military service.

Under any circumstances, their accusations would be classified under the heading of poor taste. When it is remembered that, except for those of us who were Reserve Officers, service in the Chaplaincy was and is voluntary and not obligatory—this attitude of belittlement, of systematic needling is vicious and unjust.

We all know that the placement committee of the Conference and other placement committees of other conferences exercised considerable pressure. Quotas had to be filled and committee members were within their rights when they made every human effort to enroll the chaplains called for by the government. Their appeal was an effective one as the number of enrollees proves. Rabbis joined voluntarily, some reluctantly perhaps, but that is not to their discredit. There were many things to be weighed and considered, many personal and individual problems which had to be adjusted.

The Hebrew Union College made a splendid record for itself in this connection. It does not mitigate against the record that some men did not volunteer, that some Rabbis found it impossible to go for one reason or another or that some preferred to serve their congregations and their communities during the war years. Not all the priests went to war—not all the Protestant ministers—and not all the Rabbis. What of it?

Is it the intention of a few bellicose ex-Chaplains to erect a barrier between Chaplains and Rabbis in the Conference? Are we going to be subjected to special tests to discover the percentage of patriotism in every Rabbinical heart? Are we going to demand that our colleagues in the Rabbinate submit proof of personal illness, or dependency or of difficulties that are nobody's business before we allow them to speak and act and live as free Rabbis?

Are we going to involve a lay organization, the Jewish Welfare Board, in these quarrels, arguments and recriminations? Are we going to ask that the Board publish its correspondence with every Rabbi or every prospective Chaplain in World War 2? Are we going to present American Jewry and World Jewry and the American people with the ugly spectacle of Rabbis measuring their patriotism, one against the other?

Gentleman, cease and desist. If, by reason of your military experiences you feel virtuous and self-righteous no one will find fault with you. American Israel honors you, your colleagues honor you, the Jewish Welfare Board honors you, the Central Conference of American Rabbis

## SAYS RABBI DID CONSULT CONGREGATION BEFORE TAKING STAND ON RELEASE TIME

Editor, The Jewish Post,

The Board of Directors of Congregation B'nai Abraham of Easton, Pennsylvania, meeting on March 13, went on record expressing their resentment at the kind of distorted reporting you printed as a special release from Easton in the issue of March 8, concerning our spiritual leader Rabbi Louis Katzoff's stand on the released-time plan. Your report stated that our congregation was not consulted on the matter and that we were "considerably upset by the situation." Such statements, perversions of

fore you allow yourself to print them, if you are to maintain the dignity of your newspaper profession.

May we inform you that Rabbi Katzoff did discuss his views on the problem with the Hebrew School Committee and with the congregation on several occasions, and that we, of the congregation, continue to put our trust in his leadership as we have done in the past. This expression of confidence negates thoroughly your account that we were "considerably upset by the situation."

We would suggest to you that you check up on your Easton reporter and that you henceforth authenticate your releases through our Jewish Community Council which is the authorized and recognized spokesman of our community.

Sincerely yours,

MILTON KESSLER

Chairman of Board  
Congregation B'nai Abraham  
Easton, Pa.

## Tells Why Jews Need Own Land

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Recently, as an attempt to solve the current Jewish problem, many solutions have been proposed concerning Palestine, including the establishment of a free internationalized zone, or a bi-national state there. These are the answers offered by those whose vision is short, and who regard Palestine as a mere refuge for displaced persons of the "Jewish faith" as Al Segal would have it, who have been persecuted as a result of this war. However, the real problem of the Jewish people, whose religion commands them to be a nation separated from all others, but united among themselves, is overlooked.

What is desired is not a place of refuge in itself, but a land where the Jews of the world, recognized as a distinct national group, can build up and find perpetual freedom, a county in which religious practices as commanded in the Bible can find maximum expression, and a land where the Jewish people can be removed from the assimilationist environment of the Galut. This can be accomplished only through the establishment of a Jewish state.

Sincerely yours,

AVIGDOR DON LEVINSON  
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Kenneth M. Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley C. Myers, was bar mitzvah in Miami last Saturday. Mr. Myers is president of the Council of Jewish Welfare Funds and Federations.

not always as courteous to one another as they might be.

Ah, but as the sage of Geary Street once said, "Men can disagree without being disagreeable, can't they?" The answer is that they can and should. Yom Kippur will be here one of these days and Rabbis who preach reconciliation and forgiveness will want to be the first to seek it. Who am I to preach a sermon to my colleagues? "Was I not a humble picker of oranges in my back yard in California? Am I not, even now, a picker of luscious blueberries and a gatherer of red cranberries." Nevertheless, as my legal friends say: Cease and desist. Chaplains, Rabbis be of the disciples of Aaron seeking peace and pursuing it. That is all.

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## A Weekly Digest of The Yiddish Press

By RABBI BENJAMIN SCHULTZ

### Gentiles' Contributions To UJA Encouraging

GENTILES are contributing prominently to the United Jewish Appeal. He hears it, says the Journal's J. Fishman, all over the country. "It is possible the fund will get huge sums from Christians." Of course, he hastens to add, no matter what they give, it would only be a "small percentage" of what Jews have given to Gentile causes. "But it will still be an encouragement to us; in these times, when there are so many non-Jews who pour salt on Jewish wounds."

Nelson Rockefeller is praised for donating \$100,000. But here's the best news: Jews "are multiplying their gifts TENFOLD." Give, Fishman asks, at least four or five times what you did last year.



### White Russians, Jews Get Along Beautifully

Some real White Russians can speak Yiddish, cables B. Z. Goldberg to the Day; and this shows how beautifully they have got along with the Jews. Seventeen thousand Jews now live in Minsk alone. The president of White Russia told him proudly that rarely did one of his people turn a Jew over to the Nazis, during the occupation. (Quite different from the Ukraine, which is south of there.) The vice-president is a Jew—Gregory Eidunov. He told Goldberg, Mohilev now has 8,000 Jews; and 5,000 in Pinsk.

### Kosher Lipstick for Passover; Also Powder and Nail Polish

Milady will be glad to learn she can now get Kosher lipstick for Passover. Also cream rouge. A Journal advertiser has put these items, face and tooth powder, and nail polish, "under the supervision of Rabbi Breuer." He features Gypsy Red lipstick. But the female can also have this joy "all year 'round." For, "the lipstick is made from bee's wax, instead of the ordinary fats from non-kosher animals."

### Yiddish Press Sorry For Lehman Now

Now that UNRRA's Lehman has resigned, the Yiddish press is sorry for him. Hard-working he was, they agree; and sensitive. Also, they remember his previous fine career. But they still won't forgive his "sha-sha" Jewish stand.

General Morgan, suspended for accusing Jews of "conspiracy" to leave Europe, was reinstated by Lehman. Other things happened long before. There were anti-Jewish incidents in army-held D. P. camps. Lehman was silent. It took the Gentile Earl Harrison, says the Day's Dingal, to do something about it. Jewish groups offered fine social workers. UNRRA needed them badly, but hired others, avers Dingal. Lehman feared his agency would be called "Jewish."

J. Fishman (Journal) praises his good intentions; but thinks the anti-Semites may have got him just the same. "Lehman's Jewishness clearly did not add to his popularity" in certain quarters. He will "now have plenty of time to think about his over-

humility and sha-sha methods."

### Quotas and a Lot of Sick Jews In U. S.

A friend of the Day's Abe Gordon wants to send his son to boarding school. All his friends are doing it. Just as Jews "fight" to get boys into Yale and Harvard. But the gentleman is troubled, for little Sheldon will face a quota. "The Flairtown school accepts 15 Jews out of 200 pupils." He is sure there will be difficulties, "and I don't know how to meet them."

After paying his respects to "keeping up with the Joneses," Gordon told his friend, "Your Sheldon is going to grow up a split personality, if not a snobbish little Jewish anti-Semite." Sheldon hasn't much time for Jewish learning. "At least you ought to think about sending him to some Zionist children's camp this summer. But I don't see how this will mix with your boarding school." The friend mentioned his wife's ambitions. Concluded Gordon, "There ought to be a clinic for your likes. And there are a lot of sick Jews in this country."

### Hindu Soldiers Impressed With Palestine Colonies

So, Jews fraternized with those Hindu soldiers in Palestine. These were guarding those famous oil pipelines from Iraq. There was method there! The Indians were so impressed with the workers' colonies, that they are going to found some, just like that, in their country. To cement the "heartily friendly relations," many a farewell party was given to the soldiers, by the Jews. (Day.)

### Dr. Weizmann Criticized For Testimony to Commission

Dr. Weizmann is severely criticized for his Jerusalem testimony, before the Inquiry. Too mild, and yielding. Danger sign: The pro-Arab Freiheit (for involved Communist reasons) has a good word for him. The Day uses the word "appeasement" in connection with his testimony. Its writer, Dingal, is especially severe. Our world leader weakened the Jewish case, and "disappointed many Zionists," he declares. Weizmann, he claims, was apologetic, about a Jewish State; and spilled the beans when he stated he favors a Jewish State "since 1942." Dingal accuses Weizmann of still not favoring a Jewish State; for "he is an English citizen."

### 3 Musketeers of Council Attacked in The Day

For 200,000 readers, the Day's M. Starkman rehearses the sordid give-and-take about Rabbis Berger Schachtel, and Perilman, "staying at home" when they were needed as chaplains; even though they called Zionists "unpatriotic." He calls them "The Three Musketeers" of the Council for Judaism. In war days, "Berger boarded with Lessing Rosenwald," while composing his canards. And, to be a member of Schachtel's Houston temple, "you must pledge never to taste Kosher food." Finally, Perilman comes off easiest. He is merely "associate rabbi" of Emanu-El.

Piously, Starkman hopes that "the things they write about the three enemies of Zion" are not true. But, "Jewish public opinion" demands an answer from them.

### Why She Kept Her Dress Buttoned to Her Throat

Dazed, she walked the earth

## This Week in Jewish History

By HARRY CUSHING

**B**IRTH of Stephen Samuel Wise, internationally known for his efforts to promote the cause of world Jewry and the Zionist movement. Born in Budapest by the Blue Danube, Wise is the scion of six generations of rabbis and the grandson of a baron. A disciple of

**MARCH 17** Herzl, Rabbi Wise was the first great American Jewish leader to join at his side, when Zionism was still a fantastic vision. He is the founder of the World Jewish Congress, the American Jewish Congress, the Jewish Institute of Religion, the Free Synagogue of America and so many other causes and movements. No other American Jew can list leadership in as many enterprises. Endowed with a voice of remarkable volume and most unusual carrying qualities, he is still an eloquent preacher and speaker. His extraordinary capacity for work and his genius for organization make him one of the outstanding personalities of current Jewish history.

**MARCH 18** Massacre at Bray-sur-Seine. When a Jew had been murdered by a subject of the King of France, the Jews of the community obtained permission from the Countess of Champagne to execute the murderer by hanging. The Jewish community decided to hang the culprit on Purim and prior to the execution staged a procession in which the condemned man was to play the part of Haman. Philip Augustus, king of France,

taking advantage of the fact that the executed man was his subject, invaded the domain of the Countess of Champagne with the intention of making the Jews pay for their "crime." It being so near to Easter the masquerade and the execution of the Christian, as a local Haman, had only one meaning in the minds of the local Christian community. The Jews were seized and more than eighty of them were burned at the stake, among them being Rabbi Jacob the Tosafist and Rabbi Isaac.

**MARCH 19** Forced Baptisms in Portugal. After issuing the decree which expelled the Jews from Portugal, King Manuel made a last effort to convert some of the Jews before their departure. He ordered that all Jewish children between the ages of four and fourteen be taken from their parents and be brought up under Christian supervision at the expense of the crown.

**MARCH 19** The seizures began on the first day of Passover which fell on Sunday, March 19, 1497. Many of the parents suffocated their children as they embraced them in parting. Others were thrown into the rivers to drown. This was followed by the suicide of the parents. Thus, this incident became one of the most indescribable horrors in the long night of martyrdom which marked Jewish history.

**MARCH 21** Anti-Jewish Riots in Germany. The revolutionary activities throughout Germany that year were applauded by the freedom-loving Jews of the land. German

Jewry also saw in this fight for liberty in Germany, emancipation for themselves. Many of the counter-revolutionists picked the Jews for special attack and riots broke out against the Jewish communities of Bavaria, Baden, Hesse, Upper Silesia **MARCH 20** and Hamburg. In 1848 Berlin alone no less than twenty Jews were killed. The German migrations to America in those years included many liberty-loving Jews. It was these immigrants who established the German-Jewish community of America in Cincinnati, Milwaukee, New York and other places and were the forerunners of the growing Reform movement in American-Jewish religious life.

**MARCH 21** Death of Leon da Modena. Modena was a rabbi by profession. He was also jack of some 26 trades but master of none. A prolific writer in Italian and Hebrew and an impressive preacher, he attracted many non-Jews to hear his sermons. His wide correspondence also included contact with Sir William Boswell and John Selden in England.

Throughout life, however, ill luck pursued him. A fortune hunter, he lost often in gambling, although he repeatedly condemned the vice. The ill fortune which was part of his lifetime stuck to him even after death. Modena had prepared a memorial address to be delivered at his bier. However, the friend whom he had chosen to deliver it had a rendezvous with the angel of death before him!

### Jewish Vets Grab Land British Troops Guarding

**JERUSALEM**—In a surprise move at dawn, several thousand Jewish veterans and other youths took possession of a tract of land 200 yards away from the settlement of Biryah, which has been occupied for two weeks by British troops. The troops were stationed there following an attack on a nearby Arab Legion camp.

The arrivals immediately went to work laying the ground work for a settlement for demobilized Jews. Some began ploughing the fields, while others started erecting temporary living quarters.

The officer commanding the garrison at Biryah immediately contacted the British commander-in-chief in Jerusalem for orders, while the executive committee of the local Council of Jewish Settlements was summoned to the office of the Assistant District Commissioner for the Galilee district.

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